



THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Administration Services

R24-124MZ

Date Issued: September 25, 2024

**RETIREMENT PLAN RECORDKEEPING AND
ADMINISTRATION SERVICES
THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS**

The City of Colorado Springs requests Firm Fixed Price (FFP), or Time and Materials (T&M) proposals, as detailed in this Request for Proposal (RFP), for Retirement Plan Recordkeeping, Administration, and Custodial Services for the City of Colorado Springs Savings Plans including the 457, 401a, Roth IRA, and Retirement Health Savings (RHS) Plans.

This RFP is posted to Rocky Mountain E-Purchasing BidNet Direct and the City of Colorado Springs' Procurement Services Website. It is available for all vendors free of charge, following free registration, at the Rocky Mountain E-Purchasing BidNet Direct website.

SUBMITTALS FOR THIS PROJECT WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED ON THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN E-PURCHASING BIDNET DIRECT PLATFORM.

Please login to the following website to register (Free Registration) to submit a bid for this project. All required documents will be uploaded to the website.

<https://www.bidnetdirect.com/>

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SECTION I – PROPOSAL INFORMATION

1.0 PROPOSAL INFORMATION

Section I provides general information to potential Offerors, such as proposal submission instructions and other similar administrative elements. This RFP is available on BidNet (www.bidnetdirect.com). All addenda or amendments shall be issued through BidNet and may not be available through any other source.

1.1 RFP SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The upcoming schedule of events is as follows:

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>
Issue Request for Proposal	September 25, 2024
Cut Off Date for Questions	October 11, 2024 1:00PM

Questions about the RFP must be submitted to Michael Zeller, at the following email address: Michael.Zeller@coloradosprings.gov. A written response to any inquiry may be provided in the form of an Amendment to the solicitation. See 1.7 Amendments. Questions must be received no later than October 11, 2024.

DO NOT CONTACT ANY OTHER INDIVIDUAL AT THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS REGARDING THIS SOLICITATION.

The only acceptable method of submitting questions is by email to the Contracting Specialist. Faxes or physical mail delivery are not acceptable.

Proposal Due Date	October 23, 2024 2:00PM
In-Person Interviews	1st Week of December 2024
Award of Contract	January 2025
Notice to Proceed	March 2025

1.2 SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Proposals are to be submitted electronically on the BidNet Website (www.bidnetdirect.com). Please review the submission requirements *well in advance* of submission date and time; and allow for ample time to upload each required document. It is recommended that Offerors begin the submission process at least one (1) day in advance of the proposal deadline.

Offerors are solely responsible for ensuring their bid documents are uploaded and submitted correctly, and that a **confirmation number** is obtained upon successful submission.

Customer Support Team for www.bidnetdirect.com can be reached 1-800-835-4603.

1.3 NUMBER OF COPIES

Offerors shall submit two electronic copies of their proposal. One (1) copy shall be a full proposal to include any confidential or proprietary information. In addition, one (1) copy of your proposal must be submitted for public viewing and should be marked 'PUBLIC'. The purpose of this copy is to meet the requirements of the Colorado Open Records Act and should not contain your proprietary information. Upon submission, all proposal documents shall become and remain the property of the City of Colorado Springs.

1.4 SPECIAL TERMS

Please note the following definitions of terms as used herein:

The term "City" means the City of Colorado Springs.

The term "Contractor" means the Offeror whose offer is accepted and is awarded the contract to provide the products or services specified in the RFP.

The term "Offer" means the proposal.

The term "Offeror" means the person, firm, or corporation that submits a formal proposal or offer and that may or may not be successful in being awarded the contract.

The term "Project" refers to this Request for Proposal (RFP) for Retirement Plan Recordkeeping and Administration Services.

The term "Request for Proposal" or "RFP" means this solicitation of a formal, negotiable proposal/offer. Any offer that is accepted will be the offer that is deemed by the City of Colorado Springs to be most advantageous in terms of the criteria designated in the RFP.

1.5 RFP OBJECTIVE

The objective of this RFP is to provide sufficient information to enable qualified Offerors to submit written proposals to the City of Colorado Springs. The RFP is not a contractual offer or commitment to purchase products or services. The Offeror may present options and variables to the scope while still meeting the minimum requirements of this solicitation. Innovative proposals/solutions are encouraged and considered in the selection and/or award.

All information included in proposals must be legible. Any and all corrections and or erasures must be initialed by Offeror. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a cover letter signed by an authorized representative of the Offeror. The contents of the proposal submitted by the successful Offeror may become part of any contract awarded as a result of this solicitation.

1.6 CONFIDENTIAL OR PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

If an Offeror believes that parts of an offer are confidential, then the Offeror must so specify. The Offeror must include in bold letters the term "CONFIDENTIAL" on that part of the offer which the Offeror believes to be confidential. The Offeror must submit in writing specific detailed reasons, including any relevant legal authority, stating why the Offeror believes the material to be confidential. Vague and general claims as to confidentiality will not be accepted. The City of Colorado Springs will be the sole judge as to whether a claim is acceptable. Decisions regarding the confidentiality of information will be made when requests are made to make the information public. All offers and parts of offers, which are not marked as confidential, will automatically be considered public information after the contract is awarded. The successful offer may be considered public information even though parts are marked confidential.

1.7 AMENDMENTS

Amendments to this RFP may be issued at any time prior to the time set for receipt of proposals. Offerors are required to acknowledge receipt of any amendments issued to this RFP by returning a signed copy of each amendment issued. Signed copies of each amendment must be received on or before the time set for receipt of offers.

The City of Colorado Springs will post all amendments on the BidNet Website (www.bidnetdirect.com). It is the Offeror's responsibility to check the website for posted amendments or contact the Contracts Specialist listed to confirm the number of amendments which have been issued.

1.8 WITHDRAWAL OR MODIFICATION OF OFFERS

Any Offeror may modify or withdraw an offer in writing at any time prior to the deadline for submission of an offer.

1.9 ACCEPTANCE

Any offer received and not withdrawn shall be considered an offer, which may be accepted by the City of Colorado Springs based on initial submission without discussions or negotiations.

By submitting an offer in response to this solicitation, the Offeror agrees that any offer it submits may be accepted by the City of Colorado Springs at any time within 90 calendar days from the date of submission deadline.

The City of Colorado Springs reserves the right (a) to reject any or all offers, (b) to waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received, and/or (c) to accept any portion of an offer if deemed in the best interest of the City of Colorado Springs. Failure of the Offeror to provide in its offer any information requested in the RFP may result in rejection of the offer for non-responsiveness.

1.10 PROPOSAL PREPARATION COST

The cost of proposal preparation is not a reimbursable cost. Proposal preparation shall be at the Offeror's sole expense and is the Offeror's total and sole responsibility.

1.11 AWARD

The City of Colorado Springs intends to make one award, using the evaluation criteria listed in this RFP, to determine the best value, considering all factors and criteria in the proposals submitted. Best value means the expected outcome of an acquisition that, in the City's estimation, provides the greatest overall benefit in response to the requirements detailed in the RFP. The City of Colorado Springs reserves the right to reject any or all offers and to not make an award.

1.12 PERFORMANCE PERIOD

The performance period of any contract awarded as a result of this RFP is anticipated to be as follows.

Base Year: Contract Execution – March 31, 2026

Option Year 1: April 1, 2026 – March 31, 2027

Option Year 2: April 1, 2027 – March 31, 2028

Option Year 3: April 1, 2028 – March 31, 2029

Option Year 4: April 1, 2029 – March 31, 2030

1.13 DEBRIEFING

Offerors not selected may request a debriefing on the selection process as well as discussion of the strengths and weaknesses of their proposal upon receipt of notification that their offer was not selected.

A debriefing may be scheduled by contacting the Contracts Specialist listed above. The Contracts Specialist must receive a written request for debriefing no later than ten (10) calendar days after issuance of a notification that the Offeror's offer was not selected.

1.14 SUBSTANTIVE PROPOSALS

By responding to this RFP, the Offeror certifies (a) that Offeror's proposal is genuine and is not made in the interest of, or on behalf of, an undisclosed person, firm, or corporation; (b) that Offeror has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other Offerors to put

in a false or sham proposal; (c) that Offeror has not solicited or induced any other person, firm, or corporation to refrain or abstain from proposing an offer or proposal; (d) that Offeror has not sought by collusion to obtain for themselves any advantage over any other Offerors or over the City of Colorado Springs; and (e) that Offeror has not violated or caused any person to violate, and shall not violate or cause any person to violate, the City's Code of Ethics contained in Article 3, of Chapter 1 of the City Code and in the City's Procurement Rules and Regulations.

1.15 OFFEROR'S QUALIFICATIONS

Each Offeror must complete Exhibit 1 – Qualifications Documents.

No contract will be awarded to any Offeror who is in arrears to the City, upon any debt or contract, or who is in default, in any capacity, upon any obligation to the City or is deemed to be irresponsible or unreliable by the City based on past performance.

1.16 NON-COLORADO ENTITIES

If Offeror is a foreign entity, Offeror shall comply with C.R.S. section 7-90-801, "Authority to transact business or conduct activities required," and section 7-90-802, "Consequences of transacting business or conducting activities without authority."

Before or at the time that the contract is awarded to an entity organized or operating outside the State of Colorado, such entity shall obtain authorization to do business in the State of Colorado, designate a place of business herein, and appoint an agent for service of process.

Such entity must furnish the City of Colorado Springs with a certificate from the Secretary of the State of Colorado to the effect that a certificate of authority to do business in the State of Colorado has been issued by that office and is still valid. The entity shall also provide the City with a certified copy of the designation of place of business and appointment of agent for service of process from the Colorado Secretary of State, or a letter from the Colorado Secretary of State that such designation of place of business and agent for service of process has been made.

1.17 PROCUREMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

All projects advertised by the City of Colorado Springs are solicited in accordance with the City's Procurement Rules and Regulations. The City's Procurement Rules and Regulations can be reviewed and/or downloaded from the City website www.coloradosprings.gov. The Contracts Specialist may also provide a softcopy of the Rules and Regulations upon request. Any discrepancies regarding conflicting statements, decisions, irregularities, clauses, or specifications will be rectified utilizing the City's Procurement Rules and Regulations, when applicable. It is the Offeror's responsibility to advise the Contracts Specialist listed in this RFP of any perceived discrepancies prior to the date and time the offer is due.

1.18 FAIR TREATMENT OF OFFERORS

The City Procurement Services Division shall be responsible for ensuring the procurement of products, commodities, and services are in a manner that affords all responsible businesses a fair and equal opportunity to compete. If an Offeror believes that a procurement is not conducted in a fair and equitable manner, the Offeror is encouraged to inform the City Procurement Services Manager as soon as possible.

1.19 ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

Any inconsistency in this solicitation shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

- A. Sections I-IV of this Solicitation
- B. Statement of Work
- C. Other Appendices, Schedules, Exhibits, or Attachments

1.20 SALES TAX

Sales tax requirements are not applicable to this Project.

1.21 INTERPRETATION OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS

Any change to proposal forms, plans, or specifications prior to the opening of proposals will be issued by the City in the form of an Amendment. Certain individuals may be named in the RFP that have authority to provide information, clarification, or interpretation to Offerors prior to opening of proposals. Information obtained from persons other than those named individuals is invalid and shall not be used for proposal purposes.

1.22 COMBINATION OR CONDITIONAL PROPOSALS

If an RFP is issued for projects in combination and separately, the Offeror may submit proposals either on the combination or on separate units of the combination. The City reserves the right to make awards on combination or separate proposals to the advantage of the City. Combination proposals will be considered, only when specified.

1.23 ANTI-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

The Offeror, by signing their proposal submitted to the City, is certifying that the Offeror has not participated in any collusion or taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding. This statement may also be in the form of an affidavit provided by the City and signed by the Offeror. The original of the signed anti-collusion affidavit, if separately required and provided with the RFP, shall be submitted with the proposal. The proposal will be rejected if it does not contain the completed anti-collusion affidavit.

SECTION II – PROPOSAL CONTENT

2.0 PROPOSAL CONTENT

Section II provides instructions regarding the format and content required for proposals submitted in response to this solicitation.

2.1 PROPOSAL FORMAT

Offeror's written proposal should include concise, but complete, information, emphasizing why the Offeror is best or best qualified to provide the required services. The Offeror's written proposal should include the information in the format outlined below and responses should be provided in a succinct manner. Each section of the proposal should be labeled to clearly follow the requirements sections identified in this section of the RFP. The following listed documents must be filled out and returned with the proposal:

Exhibit 1 – Qualifications Documents
Appendix A – Project Fee Proposal
Acknowledged Addenda

2.2 COVER LETTER

The cover letter shall be no more than two pages. The cover letter shall contain at least the following information.

- A. RFP Number and Project Name.
- B. Statement that the Offeror is qualified to perform the work.
- C. Certification Statement that the information and data submitted are true and complete to the best knowledge of the individual signing the letter.
- D. Name, telephone number, email address, and physical address of the individual to contact regarding the proposal.
- E. The signature of an authorized principal, partner, or officer of the Offeror.

2.3 PROPOSAL CERTIFICATION

The Offeror must fill out and submit Exhibit 1 with its Proposal.

2.4 MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

The Offeror must provide brief responses indicating compliance with the requirements outlined in Exhibit 3 with its Proposal.

2.5 COMPANY OVERVIEW AND EXPERIENCE

2.5.1 COMPANY INFORMATION

- A. Briefly provide an overview of your company and the history of the organization.
- B. Describe your company's overall standing in the public sector retirement plan industry and specific expertise in providing services to public sector retirement plans.
- C. What differentiates you from your competitors? Identify any leading-edge products or services available from your company that would not be available from other firms.
- D. Describe the ownership structure of your company including any parent, subsidiary, or affiliate relationships. Are you currently participating in any alliances or joint marketing efforts? If so, describe them in detail.
- E. Are there any pending agreements or any active or contemplated negotiations or intentions to merge or sell your company or any portion thereof or to acquire another company? If yes, please explain.
- F. What is the most recent date when the company or any component of the overall organization had a change in business structure whether through an acquisition or divestiture or through an alliance arrangement? If applicable, how did this change in business affect the defined contribution plan record keeping division and how your company provides such record keeping services?
- G. List all subcontractors proposed to be used to provide any of your services, and fully describe the nature of the services to be provided and the subcontractor's experience and expertise.

2.5.2 CONTRACTS, PENDING LITIGATION, AND RECENT CORPORATE ACTIONS

- A. Has your company been involved in litigation, regulatory or other investigations in the last five years or are there currently any pending litigation, regulatory or other investigations arising out of your performance or participation in servicing a client or delivering services similar to those outlined in the Scope of Work in this RFP? If so, please fully describe, including an explanation of the resolution of the matter, whether formally or by settlement.
- B. Has your company ever filed or been petitioned into bankruptcy or insolvency or has your company ever made any assignment for the benefit of your creditors? If so, please fully describe, including whether such a petition has been discharged.
- C. Has your organization ever been disqualified from performing professional services on any state or federal contract within the past ten (10) years? If so, please state the

reason for such disqualification, name of the agency, date, and name of the contract person at such agency and their telephone number.

- D. Has your organization or any of its representatives been cited, reprimanded, or penalized by any regulatory agency within the past five years? If yes, please describe.

2.5.3 DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN EXPERIENCE

- A. Briefly describe your company’s experience, including number of years, providing record keeping and plan administration services for Section 401(a) and 457(b) plans.
- B. How many total employees does your company have that service defined contribution (including deferred compensation) plans? How many are dedicated to servicing public sector retirement plans?
- C. Complete the following table to identify the number of public sector 401(a) defined contribution plans your company currently administers within the asset ranges provided:

	Total 401(a) Plan Participants	Total Number of 401(a) Plans	Total 401(a) Plan Assets
Up to \$50 million			
\$50+ million to \$100 million			
\$100+ million to \$250 million			
\$250+ million to \$500 million			
More than \$500 million			
Total			

- D. Complete the following table to identify the number of public sector 457(b) deferred compensation plans your company currently administers within the asset ranges provided:

	Total 457(b) Plan Participants	Total Number of 457(b) Plans	Total 457(b) Plan Assets
Up to \$50 million			
\$50+ million to \$100 million			

\$100+ million to \$250 million			
\$250+ million to \$500 million			
More than \$500 million			
Total			

- E. To how many healthcare savings plans similar to the City’s RHS does your company provide recordkeeping and administration services?
- F. What are your client retention statistics for each of the last three years? What is the historic average duration of client relationships for the company?
- G. How does your company define and measure the success of your recordkeeping and plan administration relationships?
- H. What other information should we know about your company, your experience providing services to clients similar to the City, or your ability to perform the services outlined in the Scope of Work?

2.6 RECORD KEEPING AND CUSTODIAL SERVICES

2.6.1 RECORD KEEPING SYSTEMS

- A. Briefly describe the recordkeeping system and software used by your company, including how long they have been in use. Please explain if the systems are internally developed or purchased/licensed. If externally acquired, who is the developer?
- B. When was the last major upgrade to your system and what were the results?
- C. Describe the company’s system back-up, security, and disaster recovery procedures.
- D. Describe how your hardware and software environments are kept in compliance with laws, regulations, industry best practices, and new technologies.
- E. Describe any planned system enhancements or upgrades.

2.6.2 RECORD KEEPING AND CUSTODIAL SERVICES

- A. Confirm your company has reviewed the plan documents provided for the City’s 401(a) and 457(b) plans. Identify any plan provisions that your company cannot administer or that you would suggest modifying to streamline administration.

- B. Describe your company's ability to administer automatic escalation of the default contribution rate established through automatic enrollment including any initial or ongoing communications and education provided to participants.
- C. Describe your company's ability to administer the forced distribution of small balance accounts (i.e., balances under \$7,000) including any limitations you may impose for governmental plans.
- D. Describe your company's ability to maintain and/or offer substantially similar services as those provided by the City's Group Roth IRA and Retirement Health Savings (RHS) Program, including any compliance and reporting requirements. Does your company administer other plans similar to these programs that you would recommend the City consider as alternative?
- E. Will your company serve as trustee/custodian or use an independent firm? If an independent firm is proposed, please identify the firm and the length of the relationship.
- F. Please confirm your ability to record keep all the investments in the current investment menu. Identify any of the current investments that your company cannot record keep and provide a description as to why the investment is not available.
- G. Is your company willing and able to record keep a non-proprietary stable value fund on your system? If so, please describe any limitations to this capability.
- H. Do you offer a Self-Directed Brokerage Account option? If so: Which brokerage firm(s) can be utilized? Who will be the custodian for the SDBA and where are they located? Where is the SDBA customer call center located and what days/hours (in Mountain Standard Time) are customer service representatives available? What securities are participants able to trade via the SDBA? Can the availability of any of these securities be restricted by the City?

2.7 DATA SECURITY

- A. Describe your company's data security team, including the size and the roles and responsibilities of personnel.
- B. Describe the system protocols in place to ensure the integrity and security of records, data, and information and to prevent data theft.
- C. Will any participant data be sent offshore? Will any work be conducted by subcontractors or divisions of the company that are domiciled outside the United States? If yes, please describe the nature of the services provided and how your company ensures the security of the data.
- D. How do you control system access internally and on a client level?

- E. Describe your company's authentication procedures for access to participant accounts via your website and through your customer service representatives. What security features are in place to ensure only the correct participant is given personal information?
- F. Describe your company's authentication procedures for access to your plan sponsor website.
- G. How does the company use independent, third-party testing and benchmarking to ensure compliance with security protocols (e.g., SOC 2, Type 2 Certification)? Describe how and the frequency of which third-party security audits are conducted. Provide a summary report of your most recent security audit.
- H. Has there ever been an instance where any of your systems were compromised? If so, please describe in detail including what occurred, how the issue was identified, and steps and timing of full resolution.
- I. How does your company define a data breach or security incident? What is your corporate policy in notifying clients and participants if a data breach has occurred? What services, if any, are offered to clients and participants in the event of a data breach or potential data breach?
- J. Please discuss your process for providing training to your workforce to prevent data breaches.
- K. Describe your organization's capacity to respond and indemnify the City and its participants in the event of a significant cyber event.

2.8 PLAN SPONSOR SERVICES

2.8.1 CLIENT SERVICING TEAM

- A. Describe your proposed approach to client service for the City including service team assignments, resource allocation, anticipated interactions, meeting attendance, and general support.
- B. Please describe all team members who will be assigned to the City relationship. For each such identified individual, please provide a brief biography, experience working with public sector retirement plans, the number of clients serviced, and the amount of time anticipated to be allocated to the City relationship.
- C. Describe a typical service review meeting and list the topics usually covered. Explain which service team positions typically take part in the reviews.

2.8.2 PLAN ADMINISTRATION SERVICES

- A. Describe your proposed administration service model including what information or files the City will be responsible for providing and how that information is to be provided. What administrative tasks do you anticipate the City will outsource to your company such as loan approval, withdrawal approval, etc.?
- B. Do you have a dedicated plan sponsor website? If so, what functionality or services do you provide to plan sponsors through this site? If available, provide a link and credentials to your demo plan sponsor website for the City's review.
- C. Please describe what reporting is available to the City on the participant and plan level and what reports are typically provided on a quarterly basis. What is your company's average response time for a client to receive standard reporting and special reports?
- D. Does your company conduct client specific surveys to measure satisfaction with its recordkeeping and plan administration services? If so, how frequently do these occur? Please provide the results of your most recently completed client survey.
- E. How does your company measure and evaluate the satisfaction of participants? How does your company intend to report these results to the City? Please provide the results of any recent participant satisfaction measurements.
- F. What standard service level agreements and respective performance guarantees are typically included in your client contracts related to various plan activities, such as contribution posting, withdrawal processing, statements, trust reports, confirmations, ad hoc reports, etc.

2.9 PARTICIPANT SERVICES

2.9.1 MICRO-SITE / WEBSITE

- A. Briefly describe the vision behind your website design and how these elements have resulted in positive outcomes for participants. If available, provide a link and credentials to your demo participant website for the City's review.
- B. When was the last major upgrade to your participant micro-site/website and what enhancements were included? What enhancements do you anticipate will occur in the next three years?
- C. Briefly describe any unique technology available on your participant website.
- D. Describe the types of calculators or other financial planning tools that are available on your company's website for retirement planning.

E. Describe any other materials or technology you have available (smart phone apps, videos, etc.) that can be provided to engage and assist participants in enrolling in the plan and understanding their benefits.

2.9.2 PARTICIPANT CALL CENTER

A. Where are your customer call centers located and what days/hours (in Mountain Standard Time) will customer service representatives be available?

B. What percentage of your customer service representatives are based in the U.S.?

C. Can your company accommodate the City’s request for participant calls to be answered exclusively by U.S.-based representatives, if so requested?

D. What is your company’s policy for initial and ongoing training and licensing of call-center personnel? Include a description of your required licensing and education programs.

E. Describe the oversight and monitoring activities your company conducts to ensure that the service provided by your representatives meets quality standards.

F. Provide the following statistics related to your call center’s actual performance for the last three calendar years:

	Standard / Benchmark	2024 Actual	2023 Actual	2022 Actual
Number of calls received				
Percentage of calls answered				
Average length of calls				
Average response time				
Call abort rate				

G. Does your company complete post-call surveys of participants’ interactions with your customer service representatives? If so, briefly describe recent survey results.

2.10 PARTICIPANT COMMUNICATION, EDUCATION, AND ADVICE

2.10.1 COMMUNICATION AND EDUCATION SERVICES

- A. Describe your capabilities and experience in providing participant communication and education programs for clients of similar size to the City. Recent case studies and sample materials are encouraged.
- B. Describe your proposed approach to ongoing communication efforts to the City's participants including materials and technology used, communication channels, and associated reporting.
- C. Describe your proposed approach to ongoing education efforts for the City's participants including onsite education days, group meetings, financial wellness resources, general retirement planning, associated reporting.
- D. Who would be the primary contact regarding ongoing participant education and/or communication? How would they work with the City to ensure the appropriate messaging is provided to participants?
- E. What criteria are used to evaluate the effectiveness or success of a particular education or plan marketing campaign?

2.10.2 EDUCATION PERSONNEL

- A. Briefly describe the education, credentials, and related experience of the proposed participant education representative(s) who will be assigned to the City. Where are these representatives located?
- B. Describe a typical one-on-one consultation that is offered to a participant.
- C. Do your participant education representatives offer comprehensive financial planning services?
- D. What licensing or training is required of your participant education representatives?

2.10.3 ADVICE SERVICES

- A. Describe your capabilities in providing investment advice at no additional charge to plan participants. Identify all the channels through which investment advice is provided (i.e., financial advisor, website tools, over the phone, face-to-face). How do you ensure that the investment advice is given without any conflicts of interest?
- B. Describe your managed account services or capabilities that enable a participant to pay a fee for your company or partner firm to provide discretionary management of the participant's account.

- C. What fiduciary responsibility does your company assume related to the investment advice and/or managed account services your representatives provide?
- D. Do your financial education representatives receive commissions, bonuses, incentives, or other compensation separate from their base compensation related to any interaction with participants, including recommendations of your company's investment advice services, proprietary investments or products, managed account programs, or any other services? If yes, please detail the compensation structure for the representatives. Be sure to include an explanation of how bonuses and incentives are determined.
- E. Are your financial education representatives incentivized to sell or solicit products that are not directly associated with the client's plans? How do you communicate the availability of such services to these participants?
- F. Please confirm that your company and its representatives will not engage in cross-selling of other products or services to the City's participants unless provided prior written consent. Please indicate how you ensure that cross-selling of other products does not occur.
- G. Are you willing to indemnify and hold the City harmless from any and all legal claims and actions arising out of the education or advice activities related to administration of the plans in compliance with related fiduciary requirements under state and federal law? If no, or if there are any limitations, please explain.

2.11 PROPOSAL PRESENTATION

Presentation is an important factor. Offerors should provide a highly professional product, which is complete, accurate, easily understood, and effectively presented.

2.12 EXCEPTIONS

All Offerors must complete the Exceptions Form included in Exhibit 1 and return it with their proposal. Some terms and conditions are not negotiable. Exceptions may be grounds for rendering the proposal unacceptable without further discussions.

2.13 INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

All Offerors must complete the Minimum Insurance Requirements included in Exhibit 1 and return with their proposal. Lack of responsiveness in this area may be grounds for rendering the proposal unacceptable without further discussions.

SECTION III – EVALUATION FACTORS

3.0 EVALUATION AND AWARD

Section III provides information regarding evaluation criteria and scoring. It also includes information regarding proposal selection and award of the resultant contract.

3.1 EVALUATION CRITERIA

3.1.1 QUALIFICATIONS STATEMENTS AND MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

See Section II – Item 2.3 and 2.4

3.1.2 COMPANY OVERVIEW AND EXPERIENCE

See Section II – Item 2.5

3.1.3 RECORD KEEPING AND CUSTODIAL SERVICES

See Section II - Item 2.6

3.1.4 DATA SECURITY

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3.1.5 PLAN SPONSOR SERVICES

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3.1.6 PARTICIPANT SERVICES

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3.1.7 PARTICIPANT COMMUNICATION, EDUCATION, AND ADVICE

See Section II – Item 2.10

3.1.8 EXCEPTIONS AND INSURANCE

See Section II – Items 2.12 and 2.13

3.1.9 FEE PROPOSAL

See Appendix A

3.2 RANKING

A. The order of ranking or importance in the evaluation shall be as follows:

First: Plan Sponsor Services, Participant Services, Participant Communication, Education, and Advice

Second: Data Security

Third: Fee Proposal

Fourth: Company Overview, Recordkeeping and Custodial Services

Qualifications Statements and Minimum Qualifications, and Exceptions and Insurance areas will be scored as pass or fail. Failure in these areas may result in disqualification from award.

B. Possible scores for each criterion shall be as follows:

- 5 – Exceptional
- 4 – Very Good
- 3 – Satisfactory
- 2 – Marginal
- 1 – Unacceptable

C. Definitions for scoring are as follows and apply to each grouping:

1. The following apply to all evaluation criteria, except the Fee Proposal:

Exceptional – The proposal meets all and exceeds many of the requirements of the RFP to the benefit of the City, and the information provided is of such a nature as to answer all questions without need for further inquiry. There are no corrective actions required, and no compromise of requirements is needed.

Very Good – The proposal meets all and exceeds some of the requirements of the RFP to the benefit of the City, and the information provided is of such a nature as to answer most questions without need for further inquiry. There are no corrective actions required, and no compromise of requirements is needed.

Satisfactory – The proposal meets the requirements of the RFP, and the information provided is of such a nature as to answer many questions without need for further inquiry. There are very few corrective actions required, and no substantive compromise of requirements is needed.

Marginal – The proposal does not meet some of the requirements of the RFP, and the information provided is of such a nature as to require some clarification. There are some corrective actions required, and some non-substantive compromise of requirements is needed.

Unacceptable – The proposal does not meet many of the requirements of the RFP, and the information provided is of such a nature as to require much clarification. There are many corrective actions required, and substantive compromise of requirements is needed.

2. The following applies to the Fee Proposal:

Each Fee Proposal will be ranked in comparison to the proposals submitted by all Offerors by dividing each Offeror's proposed total fee for the City's desired services by the lowest proposed total fee received from all Offerors. Each proposal will then

be awarded a percentage of the maximum score allowable for this evaluation criteria with the lowest proposed total fee receiving the maximum score allowable.

D. Area Scoring

The score for each area will be determined by multiplying the sum of the criteria in each area by the area evaluation factor. The area evaluation factors are as follows:

Plan Sponsor Services, Participant Services, Participant Communication, Education, and Advice: 50 points

Data Security: 20 points

Fee Proposal: 20 points

Company Overview, Recordkeeping and Custodial Services: 10 points

3.3 SELECTION COMMITTEE

A selection committee will review all proposals. Through this process, the City will determine which proposals are acceptable or unacceptable. The City will notify, in writing, the Offerors whose proposals are deemed to be unacceptable. Those Offerors offering proposals deemed to be acceptable by the City will be evaluated and scored by the selection committee. This scoring will determine which Offerors are considered to be in the competitive range and may be the basis for an award decision without further steps.

If the selection committee elects not to award based upon evaluation scoring, it may engage in a forced elimination process. To inform this process, it may require oral presentations or interviews with the Offerors considered to be in the competitive range. If oral presentations or interviews are conducted, they may also be scored, or they may simply be considered as information supporting the forced elimination process. The selection committee may request revisions to the proposal from each of the Offerors at the conclusion of the interviews. The intent of the forced elimination process is to reach consensus. The decision will be based on all relevant factors and based upon perception of best value. The final decision may or may not exactly reflect scoring ranking.

The City also reserves the right to request best and final offers from all Offerors at any point in the proposal evaluation process.

3.4 AWARD OF CONTRACT

It is anticipated that there will be negotiations or discussions with Offerors. However, the City reserves the right to award without negotiations or discussions. The City also reserves the right to award a contract not necessarily or merely to the Offeror with the most advantageous price. The City intends to award to the Offeror that demonstrates the best value to the City and the most substantiated ability to fulfill the requirements contained in this Request for Proposal. A contract prepared by the City will be finalized and/or negotiated with the successful Offeror(s). In the event a contract cannot be negotiated with the top ranked Offeror, the City may enter into negotiations with the second highest ranked Offeror, or the City may decide to call for new proposals.

Immediately after the notice of award, the successful Offeror(s) will begin planning in conjunction with the City of Colorado Springs staff (to be designated by the City) to ensure fulfillment of all its obligations. The successful Offeror may be expected to attend regular meetings as required by the City to assist in the preparation for startup.

SECTION IV – SPECIAL CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

4.0 SPECIAL CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS/SPECIAL SOLICITATION PROVISIONS

In addition to the special contract terms and conditions listed below, the City's sample contract, see Exhibit 2, contains contract terms and conditions.

ADA Standards: It is a requirement of the City and required by law that any new or renovated facility meet the scoping and technical requirements of the 2010 ADA Standards for newly designed and constructed or altered local government facilities, public accommodations, and facilities. The selected Design Professional shall design the project so it both conforms to the 2010 ADA Standards, as applicable and as amended, and is readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities. The selected Contractor shall build the project so it both conforms to the 2010 ADA Standards, as applicable and as amended, and is readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities. Facilities that are designed, constructed, and/or altered facilities that meet or exceed the IBC 2015/ANSI A117.1 2009, used by Pikes Peak Regional Building Department, will be accepted as meeting or exceeding the 2010 ADA Standards.

SECTION V – EXHIBITS

5.0 EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1	Qualifications Documents
Exhibit 2	Sample Contract
Exhibit 3	Minimum Qualifications
Exhibit 4	Scope of Work
Exhibit 5	Plan Information
Exhibit 6	Plan Documents
Exhibit 7	Evaluation Scoresheet

EXHIBIT 1 QUALIFICATIONS DOCUMENTS

Follows this page.



SOLICITATION QUALIFICATIONS DOCUMENTS

Please complete all sections of this document including the Solicitation Certification, Representations and Certifications, Qualification Statement, Exceptions, Minimum Insurance Requirements, and Signature Page.

Please submit all completed documents with your bid/ proposal and sign the Minimum Insurance Requirements and Signature Page.

Solicitation:

Solicitation Number:

Firm Name:

Date:

Address:

Federal Tax ID #:

Tax Classification:

Sole Proprietorship

Partnership

C Corporation

S Corporation

LLC

Nonprofit

DUNS Number:

OFFEROR REPRESENTATIVE

Offeror has appointed the following as the offeror's representative and contact for all questions or clarifications in regard to this offeror.

Name:

Telephone:

E-mail:



SOLICITATION CERTIFICATION

PLACE OF BUSINESS

Company's Principal Place of Business

Does Offeror Have an established office or facility in Colorado Springs? YES NO

If Yes, Indicate address below if different from principal place of business.

Year Facility Was Established

Percent of Work to be performed from principal place of business.

Percent of Work to be performed from Colorado Springs Facility

INSURANCE

Indicate your ability to provide a certificate of insurance evidencing the required coverage types and limits specified in Minimum Insurance Requirements Exhibit. (The certificate of insurance must reflect the City of Colorado Springs as an Additional Insured, as applicable.)

Initial Here

Indicate your Ability to Comply with the following requirements:

The City shall be added as an Additional Insured to all liability policies

YES

NO



Your property and liability insurance company is licensed to do business in Colorado

YES

NO

Your property and liability insurance company has an AM best rating of not less than B+ and/or

YES

NO

Worker's Compensation Insurance is carried for all employees and covers work done in Colorado.

YES

NO

Provide the name of your property and liability insurance company here:

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Current Financial Statements are not required for this solicitation.

Current Financial Statements are required for this solicitation. Please include financial statements as a separate document with your proposal.

Initial Here

COMPLETED PROPOSAL

Provide the completed and signed proposal. (Proposals must be identified as specified in this RFP document). All required Exhibits are attached.

Initial Here



ACKNOWLEDGE ADDENDUM

Offeror hereby acknowledges receipt of the following amendments, if applicable Offeror agrees that it is bound by all Amendments identified herein.

Addendum #1 *Initial Here* Dated:

Addendum #2 *Initial Here* Dated:

Addendum #3 *Initial Here* Dated:

Additional Addendum, if issued *Initial Here* Dated:



REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

1. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Offeror shall comply with all insurance requirements and will submit the Insurance Certificates prior to performance start date. If limits are different from the stated amounts, Offeror shall explain variance. Certain endorsements and “additionally insured” statements may require further clarification and specific statements on a project specific basis and should have been described in the Offeror’s proposal.

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2. ETHICS VIOLATIONS

- a) The Offeror shall have in place and follow reasonable procedures designed to prevent and detect possible violations described in this clause in its own operations and direct business relationships.
- b) Offeror certifies the Offeror has not violated or caused any person to violate, and shall not violate or cause any person to violate, the City’s Code of Ethics contained in Article 3, of Chapter 1 of the City Code and in the City’s Procurement Rules and Regulations
- c) When the Offeror has reasonable grounds to believe that a violation described in this clause may have occurred, the Offeror shall promptly report the possible violation to the City Contracts Specialist in writing.
- d) The Offeror must disclose with the signing of this proposal, the name of any officer, director, or agent who is also an employee of the City and any City employee who owns, directly or indirectly, an interest of ten percent (10%) or more in the Offeror’s firm or any of its branches.
- e) In addition, the Offeror must report any conflict or apparent conflict, current or discovered during the performance of the Contract, to the City Contracts Specialist.
- f) The Offeror shall not engage in providing gifts, meals or other amenities to City employees. The right of the Offeror to proceed may be terminated by written notice issued by City Contracts Specialist if Offeror offered or gave a gratuity to an officer, official, or employee of the City and intended by the gratuity to obtain a contract or favorable treatment under a contract.
- g) The Offeror shall cooperate fully with the City or any agency investigating a possible violation on behalf of the City. If any violation is determined, the Offeror will properly compensate the City.
- h) The Offeror agrees to incorporate the substance of this clause (after substituting “Contractor” for “Offeror”) in all subcontracts under this offer.

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3. COOPERATION WITH OTHER CONTRACTORS

Other City activities/contracts may be in progress or start during the performance of this contract. The Offeror shall coordinate the work harmoniously with the other contractors or City personnel, if applicable.

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4. INTERNET USE

Should the Offeror require access to City Internet resources in the performance of this requirement, a "Contractor's Internet Use Agreement" form must be separately signed by each individual having access to the City Network. The completed Contractor's Internet Use Agreement will be maintained with this agreement. Inappropriate use of the City Network will be grounds for immediate termination of any awarded contact.

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5. LITIGATION

If awarded a contract, Offeror shall notify the City within five (5) calendar days after being served with a summons, complaint, or other pleading in any matter which has been filed in any federal or state court or administrative agency. The Offeror shall deliver copies of such document(s) to the City's Procurement Services Manager. The term "litigation" includes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, and filings of bankruptcy, reorganization and/or foreclosure.

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6. CONTRACTOR'S REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Offeror's firm verifies and states that they are (check all that apply):

Large Business (i.e. do not qualify as a small business or non-profit)

Nonprofit

Small Business

Minority Owned Business/Small Disadvantaged Business

Woman Owned Business



Veteran Owned Business

Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Business

HUBZone Business

Note: The City accepts self-certification for these categories in accordance with Small Business Administration (SBA) standards. The SBA size standards are found on the SBA website <https://www.sba.gov/content/am-i-small-business-concern>.

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7. CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL

- a) The Offeror shall appoint one of its key personnel as the “Authorized Representative” who shall have the power and authority to interface with the City and represent the Offeror in all administrative matters concerning this proposal and any awarded contract, including without limitation such administrative matters as correction of problems modifications, and reduction of costs.
- b) The Authorized Representative shall be the person identified in the Offeror’s proposal, unless the Offeror provides written notice to the City naming another person to serve as its Authorized Representative. Communications received by the City Contracts Specialist from the Authorized Representative shall be deemed to have been received from the Offeror.

Name:

Telephone:

E-mail:

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8. OFFEROR’S CERTIFICATION

The undersigned hereby affirms that:

- a) He/She is a duly authorized agent of the Offeror;
- b) He/She has read and agrees to the City’s standard terms and conditions attached.
- c) The offer is presented in full compliance with the collusive prohibitions of the City of Colorado Springs. The Offeror certifies that no employee of its firm has discussed, or



compared the offer with any other offeror or City employee and has not colluded with any other offeror or City employee.

- d) The Offeror certifies that it has checked all of its figures, and understands that the City will not be responsible for any errors or omissions on the part of the Offeror in preparing its proposal.
- e) By submitting an offer the Offeror certifies that it has complied and will comply with all requirements of local, state, and federal laws, and that no legal requirements have been or will be violated in making or accepting this solicitation.

I hereby certify that I am submitting the proposal based on my company's capabilities to provide quality products and/or services on time.

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9. OFFEROR CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, PROPOSED DEBARMENT, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS:

- 1. The Offeror certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that (i) the Offeror and/or any of its Principals

Are Are Not

Presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency.

Have Have Not

Within a three year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, local) contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relation to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statement, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and

Are Are Not

presently indicated for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in any paragraphs above.

- 2. The Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the City Contracts Specialist if, at any time prior to contract award, the Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reasons of changed circumstances.
- 3. The certification in paragraph 1. above, is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the City, the



City Contracts Specialist may terminate the contract resulting from this solicitation for default. Termination for default may result in additional charges being levied for the costs incurred by the City to initiate activities to replace the awarded Contractor.

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10. ACCEPTANCE OF CITY CONTRACTS SPECIALIST'S SOLE AUTHORITY FOR CHANGES

Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, the Offeror hereby agrees that any changes to the scope of work, subsequent to the original contract signing, shall be generated in writing and an approval signature shall be obtained from the City Contracts Specialist prior to additional work performance.

Initial Here #10

11. CITY CONTRACTOR SAFETY PROGRAM

The Offeror hereby agrees to adhere to a worker safety program for contractor employees on a City job site or location. By initialing below, the Offeror has reviewed the information and will abide by the City Policy which is available for review:

<https://coloradosprings.gov/finance/page/procurement-regulations-and-documents>

Initial Here #11

12. ACCEPTANCE OF CITY ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERRED PURCHASING (EPP) POLICY

The City of Colorado Springs is committed to buying more environmentally preferable goods and services, as long as they meet performance needs, are available within a reasonable time and at a reasonable cost. The Offeror hereby acknowledges review of this policy by initialing below.

<https://coloradosprings.gov/finance/page/procurement-regulations-and-documents>

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13. FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE

Everyone has a duty to report any suspected unlawful act impacting the City of Colorado Springs operations and its enterprises. Anyone who becomes aware of the existence or apparent existence of fraud, waste, and abuse in City of Colorado Springs is encouraged to report such matters to the City Auditor's Office in writing or on the telephone hotline 385-2387 (ADTR). Written correspondence can be mailed to:

City Auditor

P.O. Box 2241

Colorado Springs CO 80901

Or via email FraudHotline@ColoradoSprings.gov. Any of these mechanisms allow for anonymous reporting. For more information, please go to the website <https://coloradosprings.gov/cityfraud>.

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QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

This statement will provide information which will enable the City to evaluate the qualifications of your firm and staff with regard to the requirements of this solicitation. Please complete this form in its entirety. If a request in the Qualification Statement is contained in the proposal, indicate the section in the proposal where that information can be found.

1. TYPE OF LICENSE(S) HELD

2. TYPE OF SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED FOR THIS SOLICITATION

3. NUMBER OF YEARS IN BUSINESS

4. FIRM HISTORY & STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

In your proposal provide a brief history of your firm, staff size, and experience. Submit a resume for the project manager and each key personnel assigned to this project.

5. WHAT OTHER NAME(S) HAS YOUR COMPANY OPERATED UNDER

My Firm has not operated under any other names

6. HAVE YOU OR YOUR FIRM EVER FAILED TO COMPLETE ANY WORK AWARDED TO YOU?

Yes No

If Yes, Please Explain



7. HAS ANY OFFICER OF PARTNER OF YOUR ORGANIZATION EVER BEEN AN OFFICER OR PARTNER OF ANOTHER ORGANIZATION THAT FIALED TO COMPLETE A CONTRACT WITHIN THE LAST FIVE (5) YEARS?

Yes No

If Yes, Please Explain

8. HAS YOUR FIRM OR ANY PARTNERS OR OFFICERS EVER BEEN INVOLVED IN ANY BANKRUPTCY ACTION?

Yes No

If Yes, Please Explain

9. ARE YOU PRESENTLY INVOLVED IN ANY LITIGATION WITH ANY GOVERNMENT AGENCY?

Yes No

If Yes, Please Explain Type, Kind, Plaintiff, Defendant, etc. and state the current status:

10. BANK REFERENCE

Bank Name:

Address:

Contact:

Phone #:

E-mail:



11. SIMILAR PROJECTS

List Three similar projects (local or state-wide) from the last five (5) years. Include the location of the project, size of project (contract amount), contract name and information.

NOTE: Detailed information on these projects may also be requested in the solicitation package

Indicate here if this information is provided within your proposal and identify where in the proposal it is located.

1. Company:

Location of Project:

Contract Amount:

Contract Period of Performance:

Company Representative:

Representative's Title:

Representative's Address:

Representative's Phone #:

Representative's E-mail:

Brief Description of service/goods provided and how your firm was successful carrying out the scope of work of the contract.

2. Company:

Location of Project:

Contract Amount:

Contract Period of Performance:

Company Representative:



Representative's Title:

Representative's Address:

Representative's Phone #:

Representative's E-mail:

Brief Description of service/goods provided and how your firm was successful carrying out the scope of work of the contract.

3. Company:

Location of Project:

Contract Amount:

Contract Period of Performance:

Company Representative:

Representative's Title:

Representative's Address:

Representative's Phone #:

Representative's E-mail:

Brief Description of service/goods provided and how your firm was successful carrying out the scope of work of the contract.



12. SIMILAR PROJECTS CURRENTLY UNDER CONTRACT

list three projects currently under contract and in progress (local or state-wide) from the last five (5) years. Include the location of the project, size of project (contract amount), contract name and information. NOTE: Detailed information on these projects may also be requested in the solicitation package

Indicate here if this information is provided within your proposal and Identify where in the proposal it is located.

1. Company:

Location of Project:

Contract Amount:

Contract Period of Performance:

Company Representative:

Representative's Title:

Representative's Address:

Representative's Phone #:

Representative's E-mail:

Brief Description of service/goods provided.

2. Company:

Location of Project:

Contract Amount:

Contract Period of Performance:

Company Representative:



Representative's Title:

Representative's Address:

Representative's Phone #:

Representative's E-mail:

Brief Description of service/goods provided.

3. Company:

Location of Project:

Contract Amount:

Contract Period of Performance:

Company Representative:

Representative's Title:

Representative's Address:

Representative's Phone #:

Representative's E-mail:

Brief Description of service/goods provided.



13. ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

There are no additional qualification requirements for this solicitation.

There are additional qualification requirements as follows:



EXCEPTIONS

Please Indicate below if there are any exceptions taken to any of the terms, conditions, or specifications of these proposal documents or contract.

If there are exceptions taken to any of the terms, conditions, or specifications of the proposal document or contract, they must be clearly stated on an additional document attached to this exhibit and returned with your proposal.

NOTE: All potential Offerors are hereby advised that exceptions taken may be considered during the evaluation phase which may affect the final scoring of proposals. Offerors stipulating that the City must use their contract or agreement may be determined non-responsive and their Proposal determined unacceptable.

Please indicate below:

My Firm has no exceptions.

My Firm does have exceptions. (Attach Exceptions to this exhibit)



MINIMUM INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The following listed minimum insurance requirements shall be carried by all contractors and consultants unless otherwise specified in the City's solicitation package, Special Provisions or Standard Specifications.

1. Commercial General Liability for limits not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage for each occurrence. Coverage shall include blanket contractual, broad form property damage, products and completed operations.
2. Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability as required by statute. Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability coverage is to be carried for a minimum limit of \$1,000,000.
3. Automobile Liability covering any auto (including owned, hired, and non-owned autos) with a minimum of \$1,000,000 each accident combined single limit.

Except for workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance and Professional Liability, the City of Colorado Springs must be named as an additional insured. Certificates of Insurance must be submitted before commencing the work and provide 30 days' notice prior to any cancellation, non-renewal, or material changes to policies required under the contract.

Name of Company

Signature

Date



SIGNATURE PAGE

By signing below, the Offeror certifies that no person or firm other than the Offeror or as otherwise indicated has any interest whatsoever in this offer or any Contract that may be entered into as a result of this offer and that in all respects the offer is legal and firm, submitted in good faith without collusion or fraud.

The undersigned additionally declares that it has carefully examined the Bid/Proposal information and the complete Solicitation prior to submitting a Bid / Proposal. The Offeror's signature will be considered the Offeror's acknowledgement of understanding and ability to comply with all items in the solicitation.

The undersigned acknowledges and understands the terms, conditions, Specifications and all Requirements contained and/or referenced and are legally authorized by the Offeror to make the above statements or representations.

Signature

Name (Printed)

Company Name

Title

Date

EXHIBIT 2 SAMPLE CONTRACT

SERVICES CONTRACT

Contract Number:		Project Name/Title	
Vendor/Contractor			
Contact Name:		Telephone:	
Email Address:			
Address:			
Federal Tax ID #		Please check one:	<input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Individual <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership
City Contracting Specialist		City Rep Dept	Name & Phone# & Department Name
NOT TO EXCEED Contract Amount:		City Account #	Acct Code (5) Fund (3) Dept (4) Project (7)
Contract Type:		Period of Performance	

1. INTRODUCTION

THIS TYPE CONTRACT ("Contract") is made and entered into this ___ day of _____, 2022 by and between the City of Colorado Springs, a Colorado municipal corporation and home rule city, in the County of El Paso, State of Colorado, (the "City"), and _____ (the "Contractor").

THE CITY AND THE CONTRACTOR HEREBY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

The City has heretofore prepared the necessary Contract Documents for the following Activity:

The Contractor did on the ___ day of _____, 2022 submit to the City the Contractor's written offer and proposal to do the work therein described under the terms and conditions therein set forth and furnish all materials, supplies, labor, services, transportation, tools, equipment, and parts for said work in strict conformity with the accompanying Contract Documents, which are attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, including the following:

1. This Contract Document
2. Appendix A – Additional Terms and Conditions
3. Appendix B – Contractor's Proposal
4. Appendix C – Statement of Work
5. Appendix D – Project Schedule
6. Appendix E – Insurance Requirements

2. COMPENSATION/CONSIDERATION

If FFP:

THIS FIRM FIXED PRICE CONTRACT is established at firm fixed amount of \$xxxxxxx.

Subject to the terms and conditions of the Contract Documents, Contractor shall provide all materials, supplies, labor, services, transportation, tools, equipment, and parts to perform XXXX services for the City of Colorado Springs in a good and workmanlike manner to the satisfaction of the City for the total contract amount designated above and in the Notice of Award, to be paid by the City to the Contractor.

If T&M

Subject to the terms and conditions of the Contract Documents, Contractor shall provide all materials, supplies, labor, services, transportation, tools, equipment, and parts to perform _____ services for the City of Colorado Springs in a good and workmanlike manner to the satisfaction of the City for the estimated price of _____, not to exceed \$_____ (“Not to Exceed estimate”). If the performance of this Contract involves the services of others or the furnishing of equipment, supplies, or materials, the Contractor agrees to pay for the same in full. At the time of payment by the City, the Contractor shall certify in writing that said payments have been so made.

This is a Time and Material (T&M) type contract. The Not to Exceed estimate is in accordance with the Contractor’s T&M proposal and rates, as included in the attached proposal, dated XXXXXX. All labor charges shall be in accordance with the T&M rates provided therein. Invoiced hours shall be subject to City review and approval before payable.

The parties estimate that performance of this Contract will not exceed the Not to Exceed estimate. The Contractor shall notify the City Contracts Specialist in writing whenever it has reason to believe that the costs the Contractor expects to incur under this Contract in the following 60 days, when added to all costs previously incurred, will exceed 75 percent of the estimated cost specified herein; or the total cost for the performance of this Contract will be either greater or substantially less than had been previously estimated. As part of the notification, the Contractor shall provide the Contracts Specialist a revised estimate of the total cost of performing this Contract.

The City is not liable for any costs above the Not to Exceed estimate, and the Contractor is not obligated to continue performance under this Contract (including actions under the Termination clause of this Contract) or otherwise incur costs in excess of the Not to Exceed estimate specified herein, until the City Contracts Specialist

Notifies the Contractor in writing that the estimated cost has been increased and provides a revised estimated total not to exceed price of performing this Contract.

3. TERM OF CONTRACT

It is further agreed that the Contractor will start work promptly and continue to work diligently until completed. The Contract Period of Performance shall be as follows:

<u>Performance Period</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Price</u>
Base Year:		
Option Year One:		
Option Year Two:		
Option Year Three:		
Option Year Four:		

Option years may be exercised unilaterally by the City at the City's sole discretion. Pricing for option years shall be as indicated above. The City may elect not to exercise an option at any time before start of an option at no additional cost to the City. Further, the City shall have the unilateral option of extending services beyond the term of the Contract, including all options, for a period not to exceed a total of six (6) months if additional time is necessary to solicit and award a new Contract. Options to extend services shall be exercised upon written notification (mailed or otherwise furnished) to the Contractor at least fifteen (15) days prior to the expiration date of the Contract, or to extend Contract for up to four additional one year option periods at the City's sole discretion.

The total value of this Contract for all years shall not exceed \$XXXXXXX. The value and current funding is \$XXXXXXX for the base year.

OR

Contractor will start work promptly after the Notice to Proceed and continue to work diligently until completed. The Contractor shall complete all work on an as ordered basis throughout the Contract period which is _____ Calendar Days after the Notice-to-Proceed ("Period of Performance") as per the specifications and drawings. The Contractor shall provide a two-year guarantee on all work performed under this Contract after the job has been completed and accepted.

4. INSURANCE

The Contractor shall provide and maintain acceptable Insurance Policy(s) consistent with the Minimum Insurance Requirements attached as Appendix E, which includes Property, Liability and Professional Errors and Omissions coverage, and as otherwise listed in Appendix E. The City of Colorado Springs shall be reflected as an additional insured on the Property and Liability policy(s).

Further, Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor shall have no right of coverage under any existing or future City comprehensive, self, or personal injury policies. Contractor shall provide insurance coverage for and on behalf of Contract that will

sufficiently protect Contractor, or Contractor's agents, employees, servants or other personnel, in connection with the services which are to be provided by Contractor pursuant to this Contract, including protection from claims for bodily injury, death, property damage, and lost income. Contractor shall provide worker's compensation insurance coverage for Contractor and all Contractor personnel. Contractor shall file applicable insurance certificates with the City and shall also provide additional insurance as indicated in this Contract. ***A CURRENT CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF SERVICES LISTING THE CITY AS ADDITIONALLY INSURED.***

5. RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR

- A. The Contractor shall be responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, and the coordination of all Scope of Work services furnished by the Contractor under this Contract. The Contractor shall, without additional compensation, correct or revise any errors or deficiencies in services provided under this Contract to the satisfaction of the City.
- B. The City's review, approval of, acceptance of, or payment for the services required under this Contract shall not be construed to operate as a waiver of any rights under this Contract or of any cause of action arising out of the performance of this Contract, and the Contractor shall be and remain liable to the City for any and all damages to the City caused by the Contractor's negligent performance of any of the services furnished under this Contract.
- C. The rights and remedies of the City provided for under this Contract are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.
- D. If the Contractor is comprised of more than one legal entity, each such entity shall be jointly and severally liable hereunder.

6. WORK OVERSIGHT

- A. The extent and character of the work to be done by the Contractor shall be subject to the general approval of the City's delegated Project Manager.
- B. If any of the work or services being performed does not conform with Contract requirements, the City may require the Contractor to perform the work or services again in conformity with Contract requirements, at no increase in Contract amount. When defects in work or services cannot be corrected by re-performance, the City may (1) require the Contractor to take necessary action to ensure that future performance conforms to Contract requirements and (2) reduce the Contract price to reflect the reduced value of the work or services performed.
- C. If the Contractor fails to promptly perform the defective work or services again or to take the necessary action to ensure future performance is in conformity with Contract

requirements, the City may (1) by Contract or otherwise, perform the services and charge to the Contractor any cost incurred by the City that is directly related to the performance of such work or service or (2) terminate the Contract for breach of contract.

7. SUBCONTRACTORS, ASSOCIATES, AND OTHER CONTRACTORS

- A. Any subcontractor, outside associates, or other contractors used by the Contractor in connection with Contractor's work under this Contract shall be limited to individuals or firms that are specifically identified by the Contractor in the Contractor's proposal and agreed to by the City. The Contractor shall obtain the City's Project Manager's written consent before making any substitution of these subcontractors, associates, or other contractors.
- B. The Contractor shall include a flow down clause in all of its subcontracts, agreements with outside associates, and agreements with other contractors. The flow down clause shall cause all of the terms and conditions of this Contract, including all of the applicable parts of the Contract Documents, to be incorporated into all subcontracts, agreements with outside associates, and agreements with other contractors. The flow down clause shall provide clearly that there is no privity of contract between the City and the Contractor's subcontractors, outside associates, and other contractors.

8. KEY PERSONNEL

The key personnel listed in the proposal and/or below will be the individuals used in the performance of the work. If any of the listed key personnel leave employment or are otherwise not utilized in the performance of the work, approval to substitute must be obtained by the Contractor from the City's Project Manager. Any substitute shall have the same or a higher standard of qualifications that the key personnel possessed at the time of Contract award.

9. START AND CONTINUANCE OF WORK

It is further agreed that the Contractor will start work promptly and continue to work diligently until this Contract is completed.

10. APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

This Contract is expressly made subject to the limitations of the Colorado Constitution and Section 7-60 of the Charter of the City of Colorado Springs. Nothing herein shall constitute, nor be deemed to constitute, the creation of a debt or multi-year fiscal obligation or an obligation of future appropriations by the City Council of Colorado Springs, contrary to Article X, § 20, Colo. Const., or any other constitutional, statutory, or charter debt limitation. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, with respect to any financial obligation of the City which may arise under this Agreement in any fiscal year after the year of execution, in the event the budget or other means of appropriation

for any such year fails to provide funds in sufficient amounts to discharge such obligation, such failure (i) shall act to terminate this Contract at such time as the then-existing and available appropriations are depleted, and (ii) neither such failure nor termination shall constitute a default or breach of this Contract, including any sub-agreement, attachment, schedule, or exhibit thereto, by the City. As used herein, the term "appropriation" shall mean and include the due adoption of an appropriation ordinance and budget and the approval of a Budget Detail Report (Resource Allocations) which contains an allocation of sufficient funds for the performance of fiscal obligations arising under this Contract.

11. CHANGES

The Contractor and the City agree and acknowledge as a part of this Contract that no change order or other form or order or directive may be issued by the City which requires additional compensable work to be performed, which work causes the aggregate amount payable under the Contract to exceed the amount appropriated for this Contract as listed above, unless the Contractor has been given a written assurance by the City that lawful appropriations to cover the costs of the additional work have been made or unless such work is covered under a remedy-granting provision of this Contract. The Contractor and the City further agree and acknowledge as a part of this Contract that no change order or other form or order or directive which requires additional compensable work to be performed under this Contract shall be issued by the City unless funds are available to pay such additional costs, and, regardless of any remedy-granting provision included within this Contract, the Contractor shall not be entitled to any additional compensation for any change which increases or decreases the Contract completion date, or for any additional compensable work performed under this Contract, and expressly waives any rights to additional compensation, whether by law or equity, unless, prior to commencing the additional work, the Contractor is given a written change order describing the change in Contract completion date or the additional compensable work to be performed, and setting forth the amount of compensation to be paid, and such change order is signed by the authorized City representative, as defined below. The amount of compensation to be paid, if any, shall be deemed to cover any and all additional, direct, indirect or other cost or expense or profit of the Contractor whatsoever. It is the Contractor's sole responsibility to know, determine, and ascertain the authority of the City representative signing any change order under this Contract.

No change, amendment, or modification to this Contract shall be valid unless duly approved and issued in writing by the City of Colorado Springs Procurement Services Division. The City shall not be liable for any costs incurred by the Contractor resulting from work performed for changes not issued in writing by the City of Colorado Springs Procurement Services Division.

The following personnel are authorized to sign changes, amendments, or modifications to this Contract.

The Department Manager: up to \$149,999.99

The City of Colorado Springs Deputy Chief of Staff: \$150,000.00 to \$499,999.99

The City of Colorado Springs Chief of Staff: \$500,000.00 to \$1,999,999.99
The Mayor of Colorado Springs: Unlimited

12. ASSIGNMENT

No assignment or transfer by the Contractor of this Contract or any part thereof or of the funds to be received thereunder by the Contractor will be recognized unless such assignment has had the prior written approval of the City and the surety has been given due notice of such assignment. Such written approval by the City shall not relieve the Contractor of the obligations under the terms of this Contract. In addition to the usual recitals in assignment contracts, the following language must be included in the assignment:

It is agreed that the funds to be paid to the assignee under this assignment are subject to a prior lien for services rendered or materials supplied for the performance of the work called for in said contract in favor of all persons, firms, or corporations rendering such services or supplying such materials.

13. CHOICE OF LAW

This Contract is subject to and shall be interpreted under the law of the State of Colorado, and the Charter, City Code, Ordinances, Rules and Regulations of the City of Colorado Springs, Colorado, a Colorado home rule city. Court venue and jurisdiction shall be exclusively in the Colorado District Court for El Paso County, Colorado. The Parties agree that the place of performance for this Contract is deemed to be in the City of Colorado Springs, El Paso County, State of Colorado. The Contractor shall ensure that the Contractor and the Contractor's employees, agents, officers and subcontractors are familiar with, and comply with, applicable Federal, State, and Local laws and regulations as now written or hereafter amended.

14. WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE

Contractor shall take out and maintain during the Period of Performance, Colorado Worker's Compensation Insurance for the Contractor and all employees of the Contractor. If any service is sublet by the Contractor, the Contractor shall require the subcontractor to provide the same coverage for the subcontractor and subcontractor's employees. Workers' Compensation Insurance shall include occupational disease provisions covering any obligations of the Contractor in accord with the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act of Colorado.

15. INDEMNIFICATION

Contractor agrees that the Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City, its officers, employees and agents, from and against any and all loss, damage, injuries, claims, cause or causes of action, or any liability whatsoever resulting from, or arising out of, or in connection with the Contractor's obligations or actions under this Contract caused

by any willful or negligent error, omission or act or a failure to observe any applicable standard of care by the Contractor or any person employed by it or anyone for whose acts the Contractor is legally liable. In consideration of the award of this Contract, to the extent damages are covered by insurance, the Contractor agrees to waive all rights of subrogation against the City, its subsidiary, parent, associated and/or affiliated entities, successors, or assigns, its elected officials, trustees, employees, agents, and volunteers for losses arising from the work performed by the Contractor for the City. The indemnification obligation shall survive the expiration or termination of this Contract

16. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

In the performance of the Contractor's obligations under this Contract, it is understood, acknowledged and agreed between the parties that the Contractor is at all times acting and performing as an independent contractor, and the City shall neither have nor exercise any control or direction over the manner and means by which the Contractor performs the Contractor's obligations under this Contract, except as otherwise stated within the Contract terms. The City shall not provide any direction to the Contractor on the work necessary to complete the project. Contractor understands that it is an independent contractor responsible for knowing how to perform all work or tasks necessary to complete project. The Contractor understands and agrees that the Contractor and the Contractor's employees, agents, servants, or other personnel are not City employees. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for payment of salaries, wages, payroll taxes, unemployment benefits or any other form of compensation or benefit to the Contractor or any of the Contractor's employees, agents, servants or other personnel performing services or work under this Contract, whether it is of a direct or indirect nature. Further in that regard, it is expressly understood and agreed that for such purposes neither the Contractor nor the Contractor's employees, agents, servants or other personnel shall be entitled to any City payroll, insurance, unemployment, worker's compensation, retirement or any other benefits whatsoever.

17. APPLICABLE LAW AND LICENSES

In the conduct of the services or work contemplated in this Contract, the Contractor shall ensure that the Contractor and all subcontractors comply with all applicable state, federal and City and local law, rules and regulations, technical standards or specifications. The Contractor shall qualify for and obtain any required licenses prior to commencement of work.

18. PRIOR AGREEMENTS

This is a completely integrated Contract and contains the entire agreement between the parties. Any prior written or oral agreements or representations regarding this Contract shall be of no effect and shall not be binding on the City. This Contract may only be amended in writing, and executed by duly authorized representatives of the parties hereto.

19. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

The Parties hereby agree, and acknowledge, that all products, items writings, designs, models, examples, or other work product of the Contractor produced pursuant to this Contract are works made for hire, and that the City owns, has, and possesses any and all ownership rights and interests to any work products of the Contractor made under this Contract, including any and all copyright, trademark, or patent rights, and that compensation to the Contractor for Agreement and acknowledgment of this intellectual property right section of this Contract is included in any compensation or price whatsoever paid to the Contractor under this Contract. It is the intent of the parties that the City shall have full ownership and control of the Contractor's work products produced pursuant to this Contract, and the Contractor specifically waives and assigns to the City all rights which Contractor may have under the 1990 Visual Artists Rights Act, federal, and state law, as now written or later amended or provided. In the event any products, items writings, designs, models, examples, or other work product produced pursuant to this Contract is deemed by a court of competent jurisdiction not to be a work for hire under federal copyright laws, this intellectual property rights provision shall act as an irrevocable assignment to the City by the Contractor of any and all copyrights, trademark rights, or patent rights in the Contractor's products, items writings, designs, models, examples, or other work product produced pursuant to this Contract, including all rights in perpetuity. Under this irrevocable assignment, the Contractor hereby assigns to the City the sole and exclusive right, title, and interest in and to the Contractor's products, items writings, designs, models, examples, or other work product produced pursuant to this Contract, without further consideration, and agrees to assist the City in registering and from time to time enforcing all copyrights and other rights and protections relating to the Contractor's products, items writings, designs, models, examples, or other work product in any and all countries. It is the Contractor's specific intent to assign all right, title, and interest whatsoever in any and all copyright rights in the Contractor's products, items writings, designs, models, examples, or other work product produced pursuant to this Contract, in any media and for any purpose, including all rights of renewal and extension, to the City. To that end, the Contractor agrees to execute and deliver all necessary documents requested by the City in connection therewith and appoints the City as Contractor's agent and attorney-in-fact to act for and in Contractor's behalf and stead to execute, register, and file any such applications, and to do all other lawfully permitted acts to further the registration, prosecution, issuance, renewals, and extensions of copyrights or other protections with the same legal force and effect as if executed by the Contractor; further, the parties expressly agree that the provisions of this intellectual property rights section shall be binding upon the parties and their heirs, legal representatives, successors, and assigns.

20. WAIVERS

No waiver of default by the City of any of the terms, covenants, and conditions hereof to be performed, kept, and observed by the Contractor shall be construed, or shall operate, as a waiver of any subsequent default of any of the terms, covenants, or conditions herein contained to be performed, kept, and observed by the Contractor.

21. THIRD PARTIES

It is expressly understood and agreed that enforcement of the terms and conditions of this Contract, and all rights of action relating to such enforcement, shall be strictly reserved to the Parties hereto, and nothing contained in this Contract shall give or allow any such claim or right of action by any other or third person or entity on such Contract. It is the express intention of the Parties hereto that any person or entity, other than the Parties to this Contract, receiving services or benefits under this Contract shall be deemed to be incidental beneficiaries only.

22. TERMINATION

A. Termination for Convenience.

By signing this Contract, Contractor represents that it is a sophisticated business and enters into the Contract voluntarily, has calculated all business risks associated with this Contract, and understands and assumes all risks of being terminated for convenience, whether such risks are known or not known. Contractor agrees that the City may terminate this Contract at any time for convenience of the City, upon written notice to the Contractor. Contractor expressly agrees to and assumes the risk that the City shall not be liable for any costs or fees of whatsoever kind and nature if termination for convenience occurs before Contractor begins any work or portion of the work. Contractor further expressly agrees and assumes the risks that the City shall not be liable for any unperformed work, anticipated profits, overhead, mobilizations costs, set-up, demobilization costs, relocation costs of employees, layoffs or severance costs, administrative costs, productivity costs, losses on disposal of equipment or materials, cost associated with the termination of subcontractors, costs associated with purchase orders or purchases, or any other costs or fees of any kind and nature, if Contractor has started or performed portions of the Contract prior to receiving notice from the City. The City shall be liable only for the portions of work Contractor actually satisfactorily completed up to the point of the issuance of the Notice of Termination for convenience. Upon receipt of this notice the Contractor shall immediately: discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise), and deliver to the City all data, drawings, specifications, reports, estimates, summaries, and other information and materials accumulated in performing this Contract, whether completed or in process.

B. Termination for Cause: The occurrence of any one or more of the following events ("Event of Default") will justify termination for cause:

- i. Contractor's failure to perform the work in accordance with the Contract Documents (including, but not limited to, failure to supply sufficient skilled workers or suitable materials or equipment or failure to adhere to the progress schedule as adjusted from time to time.
- ii. Contractor's disregard of the laws or regulations of any public body having jurisdiction.
- iii. Contractor's disregard of the authority of Project Manager.

- iv. Contractor's violation in any material provision of the Contract Documents.
- v. Contractor's failure to make prompt payments to its subcontractors, and suppliers of any tier, or laborers or any person working on the work by, through, or under the Contractor or any of them, any all of their employees, officers, servants, members, and agents.
- vi. Contractor files a petition commencing a voluntary case under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, or for liquidation, reorganization, or an arrangement pursuant to any other U.S. or state bankruptcy Laws, or shall be adjudicated a debtor or be declared bankrupt or insolvent under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, or any other federal or state laws relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, winding-up, or adjustment of debts, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, or admits in writing its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or if a petition commencing an involuntary case under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or an answer proposing the adjudication of Contractor as a debtor or bankrupt or proposing its liquidation or reorganization pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code or any other U.S. federal or state bankruptcy laws is filed in any court and Contractor consents to or acquiesces in the filing of that pleading or the petition or answer is not discharged or denied within sixty (60) Calendar Days after it is filed.
- vii. A custodian, receiver, trustee or liquidator of Contractor, all or substantially all of the assets or business of Contractor, or of Contractor's interest in the Work or the Contract, is appointed in any proceeding brought against Contractor and not discharged within sixty (60) Calendar Days after that appointment, or if Contractor shall consent to or acquiesces in that appointment.
- viii. Contractor fails to commence correction of defective work or fails to correct defective work within a reasonable period of time after written notice.

If one or more of the events identified in Paragraphs i-viii above occur, City may give Contractor written notice of the event and direct the event be cured. Any such Notice to Cure will provide Contractor a minimum of ten (10) calendar days to prepare and submit to the Project Manager a plan to correct the Event of Default. If such plan to correct the Event of Default is not submitted to the Project Manager within ten (10) days after the date of the written notice or such plan is unacceptable to the City, the City may, give Contractor (and the Surety, if any) written notice that Contractor's services are being terminated for cause. Upon delivery of the termination notice, City may terminate the services of Contractor in whole or in part, exclude Contractor from the site, and take possession of the work and of all Contractor's tools, appliances, equipment, and machinery at the project site, and use the same to the full extent they could be used by Contractor (without liability to Contractor for trespass or conversion), incorporate in the work all materials and equipment stored at the site or for which City has paid Contractor but which are stored elsewhere, and finish the work as City may deem expedient. In such case, Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment until Certificate of Completion of the work. In the event City terminates this Contract for Cause and the cost of completing the work exceeds the unpaid balance of the Contract price, Contractor shall pay City for any costs of completion which exceed the Contract price when combined with all amounts previously paid to Contractor. When exercising any rights or remedies under this paragraph City shall not be required to obtain the lowest price for the work performed.

Should the cost of such completion, including all proper charges, be less than the original Contract price, the amount so saved shall accrue to the City. Neither the City nor any officer, agent or employee of the City shall be in any way liable or accountable to the Contractor or the Surety for the method by which the completion of the said work, or any portion thereof, may be accomplished or for the price paid.

Where Contractor's services have been so terminated by City, the termination will not affect any rights or remedies of City against Contractor or Surety then existing or which may thereafter accrue. Any retention or payment of moneys due Contractor by City will not release Contractor from liability.

- C. Termination Notice. Upon receipt of a termination notice, whether for convenience or cause, the Contractor shall immediately: discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise), and deliver to the City all data, drawings, specifications, reports, estimates, summaries, and other information and materials accumulated in performing this Contract, whether completed or in process.
- D. Removal of Equipment. Except as provided above, in the case of termination of this Contract before completion from any cause whatever, the Contractor, if notified to do so by the City, shall promptly remove any part or all of Contractor's equipment and supplies from the property of the City, failing which the City shall have the right to remove such equipment and supplies at the expense of the Contractor.

23. BOOKS OF ACCOUNT AND AUDITING

The Contractor shall make available to the City if requested, true and complete records, which support billing statements, reports, performance indices, and all other related documentation. The City's authorized representatives shall have access during reasonable hours to all records, which are deemed appropriate to auditing billing statements, reports, performance indices, and all other related documentation. The Contractor agrees that it will keep and preserve for at least seven years all documents related to the Contract which are routinely prepared, collected or compiled by the Contractor during the performance of this Contract.

The City's Auditor and the Auditor's authorized representatives shall have the right at any time to audit all of the related documentation. The Contractor shall make all documentation available for examination at the Auditor's request at either the Auditor's or Contractor's offices, and without expense to the City.

24. COMPLIANCE WITH IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986

Contractor certifies that Contractor has complied with the United States Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986. All persons employed by Contractor for performance of this Contract have completed and signed Form I-9 verifying their identities and authorization for employment.

25. LABOR

The Contractor shall employ only competent and skilled workmen and foremen in the conduct of work on this Contract. The Contractor shall at all times enforce strict discipline and good order among Contractor's employees. The Project Manager shall have the authority to order the removal from the work of any person, including Contractor's or any subcontractor's employees, who refuses or neglects to observe any of the provisions of these Plans or Specifications, or who is incompetent, abusive, threatening, or disorderly in conduct and any such person shall not again be employed on the Project.

In no event shall the City be responsible for overtime pay.

26. GRATUITIES

- A. This Contract may be terminated if the Mayor, the Mayor's designee, and/or the Procurement Services Manager determine, in their sole discretion, that the Contractor or any officer, employee, agent, or other representative whatsoever, of the Contractor offered or gave a gift or hospitality to a City officer, employee, agent or Contractor for the purpose of influencing any decision to grant a City contract or to obtain favorable treatment under any City contract.
- B. The terms "hospitality" and "gift" include, but are not limited to, any payment, subscription, advance, forbearance, acceptance, rendering or deposit of money, services, or anything of value given or offered, including but not limited to food, lodging, transportation, recreation or entertainment, token or award.
- C. Contract termination under this provision shall constitute a breach of contract by the Contractor, and the Contractor shall be liable to the City for all costs of reletting the contract or completion of the project. Further, if the Contractor is terminated under this provision, or violates this provision but is not terminated, the Contractor shall be subject to debarment under the City's Procurement Regulations. The rights and remedies of the City provided in this clause shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

27. NON-DISCRIMINATION

- A. In accord with section 24-34-402, C.R.S., Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 as amended, all applicable federal and state laws, the Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of disability, race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, religion, age, national origin, or ancestry.
- B. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- C. The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to disability, race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, religion, age, national origin, or ancestry.

28. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

Any inconsistency in this Contract shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

- A. This Contract document with its terms and conditions
- B. The Statement of Work
- C. Other Appendices, Attachments, Exhibits, or Schedules

29. HEADINGS

The section headings contained in this Contract are for reference purposes only and shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of this Contract.

30. DISPUTES

- A. All administrative and contractual disputes arising from or related to this Contract shall be addressed in the following manner:
 - i. If either Party disputes or disagrees with a Contract term or the other Party's interpretation of a Contract term or has any other administrative or contractual dispute not addressed in the Unanticipated Circumstances provisions, such Party shall promptly give the other Party written notice of said dispute.
 - ii. The Parties shall hold a meeting as soon as reasonably possible, but in no event later than thirty (30) calendar days from the initial written notice of the dispute, attended by persons with decision-making authority regarding the dispute, to attempt in good faith to negotiate a resolution of the dispute; provided, however, that no such meeting shall be deemed to vitiate or reduce the obligations and liabilities of the Parties or be deemed a waiver by a Party of any remedies to which such Party would otherwise be entitled unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties in writing.
 - iii. If, within thirty (30) calendar days after such meeting, the Parties have not succeeded in negotiating a resolution of the dispute, they agree to submit the dispute to non-binding mediation and to bear equally the costs of the mediation.
 - iv. The Parties will jointly appoint a mutually acceptable mediator. If they fail to do so within twenty (20) calendar days from the conclusion of the negotiation period, they shall each select a mediator. The two mediators will then appoint a third mediator who shall conduct mediation for the Parties as the sole mediator.
 - v. The Parties agree to participate in good faith in the mediation and negotiations for a period of thirty (30) calendar days. The substantive and procedural law of the State of Colorado shall apply to the proceedings. If the Parties are not successful in resolving the dispute through mediation, then the Parties shall be free to pursue any other remedy afforded by the laws of the State of Colorado.
 - vi. Until final resolution of any dispute hereunder, the Contractor shall diligently proceed with the performance of this Contract as directed by the City. For purposes of this Contract, termination for convenience shall not be deemed a dispute. The City of Colorado Springs and the Contractor agree to notify each other in a timely

manner of any claim, dispute, or cause of action arising from or related to this Contract, and to negotiate in good faith to resolve any such claim, dispute, or cause of action. To the extent that such negotiations fail, the City of Colorado Springs and the Contractor agree that any lawsuit or cause of action that arises from or is related to this Contract shall be filed with and litigated only by the Colorado District Court for El Paso County, CO.

31. DELIVERY

The City may cancel this Contract or any portion thereof if delivery is not made when and as specified, time being of the essence in this Contract. Contractor shall pay the City for any loss or damage sustained by the City because of failure to perform in accordance with this Contract.

32. PAYMENTS

All invoices shall be sent to the Project Manager identified in this Contract.

The City will pay the Contractor, upon submission of proper invoices, the prices stipulated in the Contract for services rendered and accepted, less any deductions provided in this Contract within 30 days (Net 30). The City will not pay late fees or interest. Any discount payment terms offered on the invoice may be taken by the City.

Each invoice must contain at least the following information:

Contract number, issued purchase order number, invoice number, invoice date, timeframe covered by invoice, type and amount of labor and materials used for that time period, dollar amount in unit price, extended price, and total value of invoice.

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The City will make payments for services on a monthly basis for services performed during the previous month in accordance with this Contract. All labor Invoices shall include labor categories, rates, hours worked, and total amounts per category. All labor categories and rates charged must be included in this Contract. No other categories or rates will be allowed or payable. All labor invoices are subject to City approval.

Materials will be payable on a reimbursable basis with no additional profit, fee, overhead, handling, or General and Administrative (G&A) costs. All costs for materials shall be approved by the City Contracts Specialist before the costs are incurred and payable.

The City will pay the Contractor, upon submission of proper invoices, the prices stipulated in the Contract for services rendered and accepted, less any deductions provided in this Contract within 30 days (Net 30). The City will not pay late fees or interest. Any discount payment terms offered on the invoice may be taken by the City.

33. INSPECTION OF SERVICES

The Contractor is responsible for performing or having performed all inspections and tests necessary to substantiate that the services furnished under this Contract conform to Contract requirements, including any applicable technical requirements for specified manufacturers' parts. This clause takes precedence over any City inspection and testing required in the Contract's specifications, except for specialized inspections or tests specified to be performed solely by the City.

- A. Definition of "services", as used in this clause, includes services performed, workmanship, and material furnished or utilized in the performance of services.
- B. The Contractor shall provide and maintain an inspection system acceptable to the City covering the services under this Contract. Complete records of all inspection work performed by the Contractor shall be maintained and made available to the City during Contract performance and for as long afterwards as the Contract requires.
- C. The City has the right to inspect and test all services called for by the Contract, to the extent practicable at all times and places during the term of the Contract. The City will perform inspections and tests in a manner that will not unduly delay the work.
- D. If the City performs inspections or test on the premises of the Contractor or a subcontractor, the Contractor shall furnish, and shall require subcontractors to furnish, at no increase in Contract price, all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safe and convenient performance of these duties.

34. SECURITY

The City maintains security requirements regarding access to City buildings and other City workplaces and worksites on City property. All Contractor personnel accessing City buildings, workplaces, or worksites, may be required to produce a valid, Government issued picture identification. Contractor personnel lacking such identification may not be allowed access to such sites. No costs incurred by the Contractor due to City security requirements shall be allowable or payable under this Contract.

35. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE

In as much as the Contract concerns a needed or required service, the terms, conditions, and provisions of the Contract relating to the time of performance and completion of work are of the essence of this Contract. The Contractor shall begin work on the day specified and shall prosecute the work diligently so as to assure completion of the work within the number of calendar days or date specified, or the date to which the time for completion may have been extended.

36. EMPLOYMENT OF LABOR

The Contractor shall comply with and defend and hold the City harmless from any violation of all laws and lawful rules and regulations, both of the State of Colorado and of the United States, relating to Workmen's Compensation, unemployment compensation, Social Security, payment for overtime, and all other expenses and conditions of employment under this Contract.

37. SALES TAX

The Contractor must have a tax-exemption certificate from the Colorado Department of Revenue for this project. The certificate does not apply to City of Colorado Springs Sales and Use Tax which shall be applicable. The tax-exempt project number and the exemption certificate only applies to County, PPRTA (Pikes Peak Rural Transportation Authority), and State taxes when purchasing construction and building materials **to be incorporated into this project**.

Furthermore, the exemption **does not** include or apply to the purchase or rental of equipment, supplies or materials that **do not become a part of the completed project or structure**. Such purchases and rentals are subject to full applicable taxation.

All contracts with subcontractors must include the City of Colorado Springs Sales and Use Tax on the work covered by the Contract, and other taxes as applicable.

Note: For all equipment, materials and supplies incorporated into the work purchased from vendors or suppliers not licensed to collect City Sales Tax (i.e. out of state suppliers, etc.), City Use Tax is due and payable to the City. The Contractor shall execute and deliver and shall cause the Contractor's subcontractors to execute and deliver to the City Sales Tax Office, the appropriate ST forms as designated by the City Sales Tax Office. These forms shall list all said equipment, materials and supplies and the corresponding use tax due, along with payment for said taxes. Any outstanding taxes due may be withheld from the final payment due the Contractor and may result in suspension of Contractor from bidding on City projects.

Forms and instructions can be downloaded at <https://coloradosprings.gov/sales-tax>. Questions can be directed to the City Sales Tax Division at (719) 385-5903 or SalesTax@coloradosprings.gov.

Our Registration Numbers are as follows:

City of Colorado Springs

Federal I.D.: 84-6000573

Federal Excise: A-138557

State Sales Tax: 98-03479

The Contractor's payment or exemption of State of Colorado, El Paso County and City Sales and Use Taxes shall be as specified herein.

38. SEVERABILITY

If any terms, conditions, or provisions of this Contract shall be held unconstitutional, illegal, or void, such finding shall not affect any other terms, conditions, or provisions of this Contract.

39. LIABILITY OF CITY EMPLOYEES

All authorized representatives of the City are acting solely as agents and representatives of the City when carrying out and exercising the power or authority granted to them under the Contract. There shall not be any liability on them either personally or as employees of the City.

40. USE OF CITY NAME OR LOGO

Except as otherwise provided in this Contract, the Contractor shall not refer to this Contract or the City of Colorado Springs in any advertising or promotions in such a manner as to state or imply that the product or service provided is endorsed or preferred by the City of Colorado Springs, its employees, or its Departments, or is considered by these entities to be superior to other products or services. Any use of the name or logo of the City of Colorado Springs in advertising or promotions must be approved in writing by the City of Colorado Springs Contracts Specialist assigned to the Contract prior to such use.

41. TRAVEL

If travel expenses are included as a line item in this Contract, all travel expenses incurred and billable by the Contractor are subject to City approval. Air travel shall be limited to the round trip "economy coach" fare. Travel from the Colorado Springs Airport is encouraged. Unless there are extenuating circumstances, the Contractor should take advantage of lower airfares by purchasing tickets more than 14 days in advance of travel. In-state travel by air must be more economical than travel by private vehicle. Use of a private vehicle may be reimbursed per mile at the current rate published by the IRS annually. Short-term parking, long-term parking or cab fare associated with airport departure and arrival may be allowable expenses. Valet parking will not be allowed unless it is the least expensive or only option. Car rental rates may be reimbursed for car rentals no greater than the intermediate or standard classification. The City will not reimburse any other travel methods or expenses. The City will pay for lodging, meals, and miscellaneous expenses on a per diem basis only, in accordance with the current per diem rates published by the IRS annually. The City will not pay for Contractor expenses exceeding the per diem rates. Receipts for all reimbursable expenses must be provided with the Contractor's invoice.

42. ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES

This Agreement and all other documents contemplated hereunder may be executed using electronic signatures with delivery via facsimile transmission, by scanning and

transmission of electronic files in Portable Document Format (PDF) or other readily available file format, or by copy transmitted via email, or by other electronic means and in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be (i) an original, and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement, (ii) a valid and binding agreement and fully admissible under state and federal rules of evidence and (iii) enforceable in accordance with its terms.

43. APPENDICES

The following Appendices are made a part of this Agreement:

1. Appendix A – Additional Terms and Conditions
2. Appendix B – Contractor's Proposal,
3. Appendix C – Statement of Work.
4. Appendix D – Project Schedule
5. Appendix E – Insurance Requirements

CONTRACT SIGNATURE PAGE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused these presents to be executed on the day and the year first above written.

This Contract is executed in one (1) original copy.

THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO:

SECOND PARTY:
SAMPLE CONTRACT ONLY
Corporate Name
Signature Date
Title

EXHIBIT 3 MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Offerors must meet a minimum set of qualifications to be considered for evaluation. As part of your proposal, please include a concise written response indicating how your company meets each of the following minimum qualifications. Failure to meet the minimum qualifications and/or provide sufficient proof of your compliance may cause your proposal to be deemed unacceptable.

1. Respondent must have provided recordkeeping, administrative, and communication/education services for governmental 401(a) and 457(b) plans for a minimum of 10 years.
2. Respondent must have a minimum of \$10 billion in total defined contribution plan assets under administration.
3. Respondent must have a minimum of 500,000 defined contribution participant account records on the recordkeeping system.
4. Respondent must currently administer at least three active defined contribution plans for governmental entities and have done so for at least three years.
5. Respondent must be able to administer and/or provide services similar to the Group Roth IRA and Retirement Health Savings (RHS) programs.
6. Respondent must be a direct provider of the requested services (not a third-party broker).
7. Respondent must substantially agree with the terms and conditions of the sample contract.
8. Respondent must have a license to do business in the State of Colorado or must agree to obtain the license prior to contract execution.

EXHIBIT 4 SCOPE OF WORK FOR RETIREMENT PLAN RECORDKEEPING AND ADMINISTRATION SERVICES

The City of Colorado Springs (the "City") is seeking proposals from qualified companies to provide retirement plan recordkeeping, administration, and custodial services for the City of Colorado Springs Savings Plans including the 457b, 401a, Group Roth IRA, and Retirement Health Savings (RHS) plans.

The City of Colorado Springs 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan and 401(a) Defined Contribution Plans are maintained by the City's 457 Deferred Compensation Committee (the "Committee") for eligible employees of the City in accordance with the terms, conditions, and provisions of the Plans, as set forth in governing plan documents. The Plans' purpose is to provide a vehicle for and to encourage retirement savings to supplement and/or replace the retirement benefits provided to City employees through the Colorado Public Employees' Retirement Association ("Colorado PERA").

The 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan is available to all eligible employees of the City. Newly eligible employees are automatically enrolled into the Plan 90 days after the start of employment. The City's two 401(a) Defined Contribution Plans are dedicated to the Mayor's office and its key management staff and to city council members.

Additionally, the Committee oversees the Group IRA and Retirement Health Savings (RHS) programs provided through the Plans' recordkeeper. The Group IRA program allows for payroll deducted contributions to a Roth Individual Retirement Account (IRA). The RHS program is funded by employer contributions in the form of sick leave payouts upon the employee's retirement. Contributions are tax free and can be disbursed on a tax-free basis for allowable health insurance related costs.

The services to be performed by the Contractor under this Agreement are anticipated to encompass, but are not limited to, the following items and may be adjusted through discussion with the selected Contractor as part of the contracting process.

1. RECORDKEEPING, ADMINISTRATION, AND CUSTODIAL SERVICES

- A. Full administration and recordkeeping/plan servicing in accordance with applicable plan documents, including the ability to maintain and/or offer substantially similar services as those provided by the City's Group Roth IRA and RHS Program.
- B. Custodial/trustee services.
- C. Participant enrollment services, including providing a welcome package and enrollment kit containing instructions and notices necessary to begin participation. Employees will enroll online or through a paper form. Contractor will provide an enrollment link through the general website as appropriate. The City may also make available the online enrollment link on their Intranet site or via email to new employees.

- D. Establishment of participant accounts for each employee participating in the Plan(s) for whom the Contractor receives appropriate enrollment instructions. The Contractor is not responsible for determining if such Plan participants are eligible under the terms of the Plan.
- E. Maintenance of individual accounts for participants reflecting amounts deferred, income, gain or loss credited, and amounts distributed as benefits.
- F. Maintenance of records for all participants for whom participant accounts have been established. These files shall include beneficiary designation instructions and all other documents concerning each participant's account.
- G. Allocation of funds received in good order to individual participant accounts in designated investment funds offered under the Plans.
- H. Distribution of benefits as agent for the City in accordance with terms of the Plans. Participants who have separated from service can request distributions through the participant website or call center.
- I. Making available Call Center Representatives through a toll-free telephone number Monday through Friday (excluding holidays and days on which the securities markets or Contractor are closed for business (including emergency closings), to assist participants.
- J. Making available access to the Contractor's website, to allow participants to access certain account information and initiate plan transactions at any time. Account access should be available twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week except during scheduled maintenance periods designed to ensure high-quality performance.
- K. Investment management services if elected by the Employer may include but are not limited to: goal-specific financial plans, comprehensive financial plans, online fund advice, and managed account services.
- L. Full open architecture platform. Contractor will provide a determination of the availability of adding or replacing additional funds on request.
- M. Access to a self-directed brokerage window
- N. Training the City's key staff on all Contractor systems.
- O. Use of the Contractor's plan document and compliance services.
- P. Compliance with current regulations and any changes that may occur as a result of new regulations.

Q. Ability to provide complete outsourcing of the following internal administrative functions with limited City involvement. Please note the City may not elect to outsource every item:

- Enrollments, including automatic enrollment of eligible employees
- Employee elective deferral changes
- Tracking of IRC limits, including notification to the City in the event a limit is exceeded
- Rollover contributions
- Beneficiary designations
- Withdrawals, including approval and distribution of loans and Unforeseeable Emergency withdrawals, as applicable
- Death benefit requests
- Domestic Relations Orders
- Minimum required distributions
- Automatic cash out of small balance accounts

2. COMMUNICATION/EDUCATION AND PLAN MANAGEMENT SERVICES

- A. Contractor will provide representative(s) to conduct both on-site and virtual education services. Education services may include, but are not limited to, education seminars/webinars, one-on-one meetings and/or group meetings, and attendance at annual benefits fairs. The number of days provided by the Contractor will be determined as part of contracting and may vary year to year depending on need.
- B. Contractor will assign a Relationship Manager who will be available on a quarterly basis, either on-site or via conference call, to meet with the City. The Relationship Manager is responsible for the overall relationship and serves as the primary point of contact to both the City and consultant and should be available during regular business hours.
- C. Contractor will assign a day-to-day representative(s) to lead the delivery of administration and record-keeping services for the City. The assigned representative(s) will be available via telephone and e-mail as needed by the City.
- D. Contractor will work with the City to provide periodic communications to plan participants and customize such communication as required. These custom communication efforts will address participant behaviors that have been identified as areas of need for education emphasis. The custom communication efforts will occur at a minimum of once per year.
- E. Contractor will create and periodically update, as needed, a customized plan summary brochure highlighting City plan specifics. This concise brochure will contain custom branding and serve as an introductory resource for prospective plan participants.

- F. If requested, the Contractor will make available a custom gateway webpage for participants that will feature the City plan name and logo, as well as brief messages and links to plan documents. The webpage may feature photos of education representatives, provide their contact information, and provide access to the online scheduling tool allowing employees to enroll in a seminar or set up a one-on-one session with a representative.
- G. Contractor will make available a mobile app that allows plan participants to access their accounts.

3. REPORTING

- A. Contractor will provide access to a plan sponsor website for the City to retrieve quantitative plan data and other plan details. Available reporting will assist in identifying trends and determining actions the Contractor and the City can take to address plan goals and participant needs.
- B. Contractor agrees to furnish the City with the following reporting on a quarterly, annual, and/or as needed basis as well as additional materials requested by the City's consultant in the preparation of quarterly due diligence reports.
- Plan Service Report
 - Number of group presentations held; number of participants that attended
 - Number of one-on-one consultations
 - Number of participants actively deferring
 - Number of inactive participants
 - Number of terminated participants
 - Number of bad addresses by participant
 - Number of missing beneficiaries by participant
 - Reporting of participants who may exceed the IRC limits
 - Rollovers in and out of the Plans; total assets associated with rollovers
 - Number of Roth conversions processed
 - Plan asset allocation by age
 - Number of participants within each investment option
 - Number of participants that are 100% invested in stable value
 - Number of participants that are 100% invested in an investment that is not the stable value, the Target Date Fund, or balanced fund
 - Number of participants invested in multiple TDFs
 - Number of participants in default
 - Loan issuances and repayments by participant; total assets associated with loans
 - Loan default/delinquency by participant (30-60-90 days); total assets associated loan default/delinquency
 - Withdrawals: total assets associated with withdrawals
 - Number of and total assets associated with unforeseeable withdrawals
 - Number of Qualified Domestic Relations Order (QDROs) processed

- Number of participants eligible for Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs)
- Number of RMDs processed
- Number of small balances cashed out; total assets associated with those cash outs

EXHIBIT 5 PLAN INFORMATION

Follows this page.

CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS	457(b)		401(a)		RHS		GROUP ROTH IRA	
	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%
Stable Value	\$20,768,821	13.10%	\$135,732	9.83%	\$2,650,415	54.03%	---	---
Intermediate Core Bond	\$2,912,106	1.84%	\$5,300	0.38%	\$73,187	1.49%	\$503,692	5.91%
Intermediate Core-Plus Bond	\$5,567,805	3.51%	\$67,133	4.86%	---	---	\$146,935	1.72%
Target Date Retirement Income	\$2,518,094	1.59%	\$736,872	53.35%	\$316,358	6.45%	---	---
Target Date 2020	\$2,789,048	1.76%	\$31,020	2.25%	\$166,772	3.40%	\$60,576	0.71%
Target Date 2025	\$5,814,025	3.67%	\$1,173	0.08%	\$74,245	1.51%	\$252,114	2.96%
Target Date 2030	\$9,431,021	5.95%	\$6,897	0.50%	\$115,915	2.36%	\$180,294	2.12%
Target Date 2035	\$8,903,607	5.61%	\$33,742	2.44%	\$45,460	0.93%	\$357,738	4.20%
Target Date 2040	\$11,661,673	7.35%	---	---	\$1,183	0.02%	\$346,593	4.07%
Target Date 2045	\$8,572,238	5.41%	---	---	\$5,727	0.12%	\$173,000	2.03%
Target Date 2050	\$7,278,613	4.59%	---	---	---	---	\$258,072	3.03%
Target Date 2055	\$4,346,202	2.74%	---	---	\$249	0.02%	\$9,698	0.11%
Target Date 2060	\$2,831,057	1.79%	---	---	\$1,209	3.40%	\$37,891	0.44%
Target Date 2065+	\$15,373	0.01%	---	---	---	---	\$32,989	0.39%
Target Date 2065+	\$42,613	0.03%	---	---	---	---	\$60,576	0.71%
Large Company Value	\$5,046,519	3.18%	\$24,362	1.76%	\$70,192	1.43%	\$171,471	2.01%
Large Company Blend	\$19,458,143	12.27%	\$68,079	4.93%	\$484,167	9.87%	\$1,138,440	13.36%
Large Company Growth	\$21,038,738	13.27%	\$161,271	11.68%	\$216,953	4.42%	\$1,247,871	14.65%
Medium Company Value	\$1,526,048	0.96%	\$3,180	0.23%	\$12,505	0.25%	\$53,545	0.63%
Medium Company Blend	\$3,288,069	2.07%	\$30,513	2.21%			\$136,794	1.61%
Medium Company Growth	\$5,359,518	3.38%	\$22,415	1.62%	\$114,578	2.34%	\$81,276	0.95%
Foreign Large Blend	\$3,233,991	2.04%	\$28,031	2.03%	\$12,503	0.25%	\$272,660	3.20%
Foreign Large Blend	\$4,090,727	2.58%	\$19,044	1.38%	\$50,165	1.02%	\$37,339	0.44%
Small Company Value	\$477,595	0.30%	\$1,073	0.08%	---	---	\$43,697	0.51%
Small Company Growth	\$321,859	0.20%	\$2,130	0.15%	---	---	\$23,783	0.28%
Specialty-Real Estate	\$1,291,638	0.81%	\$3,232	0.23%	---	---	\$101,002	1.19%
Other	---	---	---	---	\$494,114	10.07%	\$3,445,534	41.42%
Plan Totals	\$158,585,141	100%	\$1,381,199	100%	\$4,905,895	100%	\$8,522,953	100%

CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS	457(b)	401(a)		RHS		Group Roth IRA
	300636	108487	108489	800292	801887	705839
GENERAL						
Client Type & Industry	Governmental					
Total Plan Assets (not including loan balances)	\$158,585,141	\$612,107	\$768,506	\$844,317	\$4,061,578	\$8,522,953
Average Participant Balance	\$51,074	\$87,444	\$109,787	\$23,453	\$18,295	\$22,195
PARTICIPANTS						
Total Eligible Participants	Eligibility data not provided					
Total Deferring Participants	2,137	1	5	--	--	250
PARTICIPANTS WITH A BALANCE BREAKDOWN						
Active Participants with a Balance	2,236	3	6	8	46	323
Terminated Participants with Balance	869	4	1	28	176	61
Total Participants with a Balance	3,105	7	7	36	222	384
PLAN ASSETS AND CASH FLOW						
Total Contributions for Prior 2 Years	\$21,109,952	\$39,570	\$3,462	\$0	\$1,681,330	\$163,588
2023	\$10,566,825	\$19,169	\$2,055	\$0	\$738,532	\$84,095
2022	\$10,543,127	\$20,402	\$1,406	\$0	\$942,798	\$79,493

CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS	457(b)	401(a)		RHS		Group Roth IRA
	300636	108487	108489	800292	801887	705839
Total Distributions for Prior 2 Years (not including loans)	\$15,312,624	\$188,864	\$87,963	\$754	\$5,718	\$600,531
2023	\$6,846,659	\$188,864	\$41,963	\$0	\$0	\$600,531
2022	\$8,465,965	\$0	\$46,000	\$754	\$5,718	\$0
PLAN STATISTICS & FEATURES						
Number of Loans Outstanding	191	--	--	--	--	--
Outstanding Loan Balance (\$)	\$1,943,679	--	--	--	--	--
Managed Account Offered Currently? Y/N	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y
Total Participants in Managed Account (if applicable)	141	1	--	--	--	85
Total Assets in Managed Account (\$) (if applicable)	\$12,853,921	\$105,900	--	--	--	\$2,231,534
Auto-Enrollment? Y/N	Y	N	N	N	N	N
Auto-Enrollment Contribution Rate (%)	3%	--	--	--	--	--
Auto-Escalation? Y/N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Auto-Escalation Automatic or Voluntary? (if applicable)	--	--	--	--	--	--
Auto-Escalation Rate & Cap % (if applicable)	--	--	--	--	--	--
Employer Match Frequency	--	10% mandatory ER contribution	--	--	--	--

CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS	457(b)	401(a)		RHS		Group Roth IRA
	300636	108487	108489	800292	801887	705839
Frequency of Payroll Submission	Bi-weekly					
Number of Payroll Feeds	1					
Name of Current Payroll Vendor	In-House					
2023 TRANSACTION OCCURRENCES						
New Loans	97	--	--	--	--	--
Lump Sum Distributions (In-Service)	38	0	0	0	0	10
Lump Sum Distributions (Termed)	241	0	2	0	0	0
Periodic Distributions	50	1	2	0	0	50
Hardship/Unforseeable Emergency Distributions	0	0	0	0	0	0
QDROs	1	0	0	0	0	0
PROVIDER EDUCATION/COMMUNICATION						
Number of Education and Communication Days used in last year	70					
Number of Locations visited in the last year	6					
Webinars/Virtual Meetings Provided in last year	48 CFP Webinars, 24 Neos, 190 individual virtual meetings					
Delivery: E-Delivery/Paper/Combination	Combination					

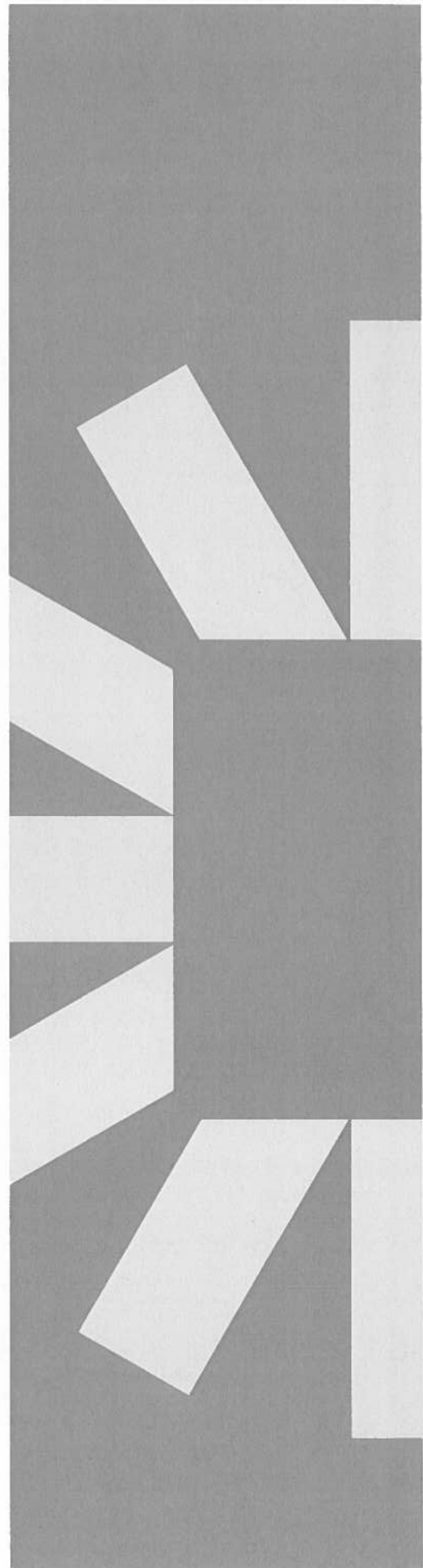
EXHIBIT 6 PLAN DOCUMENTS

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ICMA Retirement Corporation
doing business as

MissionSquare Retirement Governmental Money Purchase Plan Adoption Agreement

MissionSquare
RETIREMENT



MissionSquare Retirement Governmental Money Purchase Plan Adoption Agreement

Plan Number: 108487

The Employer hereby establishes a Money Purchase Plan to be known as CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS
_____ (the "Plan") in the form of the MissionSquare Retirement Governmental Money Purchase Plan.

New Plan or Amendment and Restatement (Check One):

Amendment and Restatement

This Plan is an amendment and restatement of an existing defined contribution Money Purchase Plan. Please specify the name of the defined contribution Money Purchase Plan which this Plan hereby amends and restates:

CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS

Effective Date of Restatement. The effective date of the Plan shall be:

04/08/2022

(Note: The effective date can be no earlier than the first day of the Plan Year in which this restatement is adopted. If no date is provided, by default, the effective date will be the first day of the Plan Year in which the restatement is adopted.)

New Plan

Effective Date of New Plan. The effective date of the Plan shall be the first day of the Plan Year during which the Employer adopts the Plan, unless an alternate effective date is hereby specified: _____

(Note: An alternate effective date can be no earlier than the first day of the Plan Year in which the Plan is adopted.)

I. EMPLOYER: CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS

(The Employer must be a governmental entity under Internal Revenue Code § 414(d))

II. SPECIAL EFFECTIVE DATES

Please note here any elections in the Adoption Agreement with an effective date that is different from that noted above.

(Note provision and effective date.)

III. PLAN YEAR

The Plan Year will be:

January 1 – December 31 (*Default*)

The 12 month period ending _____
Month Day

IV. Normal Retirement Age shall be age 55 (not less than 55 nor in excess of 65).

Important Note to Employers: Normal Retirement Age is significant for determining the earliest date at which the Plan may allow for in-service distributions. Normal Retirement Age also defines the latest date at which a Participant must have a fully vested right to his/her Account. There are IRS rules that limit the age that may be specified as the Plan's Normal Retirement Age. The Normal Retirement Age cannot be earlier than what is reasonably representative of the typical retirement age for the industry in which the covered workforce is employed.

In 2016, the Internal Revenue Service proposed regulations that would provide rules for determining whether a governmental pension plan's normal retirement age satisfies the Internal Revenue Code's qualification requirements. A normal retirement age that is age 62 or later is deemed to be not earlier than the earliest age that is reasonably representative of the typical retirement age for the industry in which the covered workforce is employed. Whether an age below 62 satisfies this requirement depends on the facts and circumstances, but an Employer's good faith, reasonable determination will generally be given deference. A special rule, however, says that a normal retirement age that is age 50 or later is deemed to be not earlier than the earliest age that is reasonably representative of the typical retirement age for the industry in which the covered workforce is employed if the participants to which this normal retirement age applies are qualified public safety employees (within the meaning of section 72(t)(10)(B)). These regulations are proposed to be effective for employees hired during plan years beginning on or after the later of: (1) January 1, 2017; or (2) the close of the first regular legislative session of the legislative body with the authority to amend the plan that begins on or after the date that is 3 months after the final regulations are published in the Federal Register. In the meantime, however, governmental plan sponsors may rely on these proposed regulations.

In lieu of age-based Normal Retirement Age, the Plan shall use the following age and service-based Normal Retirement Age _____

Important Note to Employers: Before using a Normal Retirement Age based on age and service, a plan sponsor should review the proposed regulations (81 Fed. Reg. 4599 (Jan. 27, 2016)) and consult counsel.

V. COVERED EMPLOYMENT CLASSIFICATIONS

1. The following group or groups of Employees are eligible to participate in the Plan:

- All Employees
- All Full Time Employees
- Salaried Employees
- Non union Employees
- Management Employees
- Public Safety Employees
- General Employees
- Other Employees (Specify the group(s) of eligible Employees below. Do not specify Employees by name. Specific positions are acceptable.) See Addendum

The group specified must correspond to a group of the same designation that is defined in the statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, personnel manuals or other material in effect in the state or locality of the Employer. The eligibility requirements cannot be such that an Employee becomes eligible only in the Plan Year in which the Employee terminates employment.

Note: As stated in Sections 4.08 and 4.09, the Plan may, however, provide that Final Pay Contributions or Accrued Leave Contributions are the only contributions made under the Plan.

2. Period of Service required for participation

N/A – The Employer hereby waives the requirement of a Period of Service for participation. Employees are eligible to participate upon employment. (“N/A” is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.)

Yes. The required Period of Service shall be _____ months (not to exceed 12 months).

The Period of Service selected by the Employer shall apply to all Employees within the Covered Employment Classification.

3. Minimum Age (Select One) – A minimum age requirement is hereby specified for eligibility to participate.

Yes. Age _____ (not to exceed age 21).

N/A – No minimum age applies (“N/A” is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.)

VI. CONTRIBUTION PROVISIONS

1. **The Employer shall contribute as follows:** (Choose all that apply, but at least one of Options A or B. If Option A is not selected, Employer must pick up Mandatory Participant Contributions under Option B.)

Fixed Employer Contributions With or Without Mandatory Participant Contributions. (If Option B is chosen, please complete section C.)

A. Fixed Employer Contributions. The Employer shall contribute on behalf of each Participant See Addendum _____ % of Earnings or

\$_____ for the Plan Year (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan).

Mandatory Participant Contributions

are required are not required

to be eligible for this Employer Contribution.

B. Mandatory Participant Contributions for Plan Participation

Required Mandatory Contributions. A Participant is required to contribute (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan) the specified amounts designated in items (i) through (iii) of the Contribution Schedule below:

Yes No

Employee Opt-In Mandatory Contributions. To the extent that Mandatory Participant Contributions are not required by the Plan, each Employee eligible to participate in the Plan shall be given the opportunity, when first eligible to participate in the Plan or any other plan or arrangement of the Employer described in Code section 219(g)(5)(A) to irrevocably elect to contribute Mandatory Participant Contributions by electing to contribute the specified amounts designated in items (i) through (iii) of the Contribution Schedule below for each Plan Year (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan):

Yes No

Contribution Schedule. (Any percentage or dollar amount entered below must be greater than 0% or \$0.)

i. See Addendum

_____ % of Earnings,

ii. \$ _____, or

iii. a whole percentage of Earnings between the range of _____ (*insert range of percentages between 1% and 20% inclusive (e.g., 3%, 6%, or 20%; 5% to 7%)*), as designated by the Employee in accordance with guidelines and procedures established by the Employer for the Plan Year as a condition of participation in the Plan. A Participant must pick a single percentage and shall not have the right to discontinue or vary the rate of such contributions after becoming a Plan Participant.

Employer "Pick up". The Employer hereby elects to "pick up" the Mandatory Participant Contributions' (pickup is required if Option A is not selected)

Yes No (*"Yes" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

C. Election Window (Complete if Option B is selected):

Newly eligible Employees shall be provided an election window of 60 days (no more than 60 calendar-days) from the date of initial eligibility during which they may make the election to participate in the Mandatory Participant Contribution portion of the Plan. Participation in the Mandatory Participant Contribution portion of the Plan shall begin the first of the month following the end of the election window.

An Employee's election is irrevocable and shall remain in force until the Employee terminates employment or ceases to be eligible to participate in the Plan. In the event of re-employment to an eligible position, the Employee's original election will resume. In no event does the Employee have the option of receiving the pick-up contribution amount directly.

2. The Employer may also elect to make Employer Matching Contributions as follows:

Fixed Employer Match of After-Tax Voluntary Participant Contributions. (Do not complete this section unless the Plan permits after-tax Voluntary Participant Contributions under Section VI.3 of the Adoption Agreement.)

The Employer shall contribute on behalf of each Participant _____ % of Earnings for the Plan Year (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan) for each Plan Year that such Participant has contributed _____ % of Earnings or \$_____. Under this option, there is a single, fixed rate of Employer Contributions, but a Participant may decline to make the Voluntary Participant Contributions in any Plan Year, in which case no Employer Contribution will be made on the Participant's behalf in that Plan Year.

¹Neither an IRS opinion letter nor a determination letter issued to an adopting Employer is a ruling by the Internal Revenue Service that Participant contributions that are "picked up" by the Employer are not includable in the Participant's gross income for federal income tax purposes. Pick-up contributions are not mandated to receive private

letter rulings; however, if an adopting Employer wishes to receive a ruling on pick-up contributions they may request one in accordance with Revenue Procedure 2012-4 (or subsequent guidance).

Variable Employer Match of After-Tax Voluntary Participant Contributions. (Do not complete unless the Plan permits after-tax Voluntary Participant Contributions under Section VI.3 of the Adoption Agreement.)

The Employer shall contribute on behalf of each Participant an amount determined as follows (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan):

_____ % of the Voluntary Participant Contributions made by the Participant for the Plan Year (not including Voluntary Participant Contributions exceeding _____ % of Earnings or \$ _____);

PLUS _____ % of the contributions made by the Participant for the Plan Year in excess of those included in the above paragraph (but not including Voluntary Participant Contributions exceeding in the aggregate _____ % of Earnings or \$ _____).

Employer Matching Contributions on behalf of a Participant for a Plan Year shall not exceed \$ _____ or _____ % of Earnings, whichever is more or less.

Fixed Employer Match of Participant 457(b) Plan Deferrals. The Employer shall contribute on behalf of each Participant _____ % of Earnings for the Plan Year (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan) for each Plan Year that such Participant has deferred _____ % of Earnings or \$ _____ to the Employer's 457(b) deferred compensation plan. Under this option, there is a single, fixed rate of Employer Contributions, but a Participant may decline to make the required 457(b) deferrals in any Plan Year, in which case no Employer Contribution will be made on the Participant's behalf in that Plan Year.

Variable Employer Match of Participant 457(b) Plan Deferrals.

The Employer shall contribute on behalf of each Participant an amount determined as follows (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan):

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PLUS _____ % of the elective deferrals made by the Participant to the Employer's 457(b) plan for the Plan Year in excess of those included in the above paragraph (but not including elective deferrals made by a Participant to the Employer's 457(b) plan exceeding in the aggregate _____ % of Earnings or \$ _____).

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3. Each Participant may make a Voluntary Participant Contribution, subject to the limitations of Section 4.06 and Article V of the Plan

Yes No (*"No" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

4. Employer contributions for a Plan Year shall be contributed to the Trust in accordance with the following payment schedule (no later than the 15th day of the tenth calendar month following the end of the calendar year or fiscal year (as applicable depending on the basis on which the Employer keeps its books) with or within which the particular Limitation Year ends, or in accordance with applicable law):

Weekly Biweekly Monthly Annually in _____ (*specify month*)

5. Participant contributions for a Plan Year shall be contributed to the Trust in accordance with the following payment schedule (no later than the 15th day of the tenth calendar month following the end of the calendar year or fiscal year (as applicable depending on the basis on which the Employer keeps its books) with or within which the particular Limitation Year ends, or in accordance with applicable law):

Weekly Biweekly Monthly Annually in _____ (specify month)

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A. Plan contributions will be made based on differential wage payments:

Yes No (*"Yes" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

B. Participants who die or become disabled will receive Plan contributions with respect to such service:

Yes No (*"No" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

VII. Earnings

Earnings, as defined under Section 2.09 of the Plan, shall include:

1. Overtime

Yes No (*"No" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

2. Bonuses

Yes No (*"No" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

3. Other Pay (specifically describe any other types of pay to be included below)

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1. The Employer will permit Rollover Contributions in accordance with Section 4.13 of the Plan:

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IX. LIMITATION ON ALLOCATIONS

If the Employer maintains or ever maintained another qualified plan in which any Participant in this Plan is (or was) a participant or could possibly become a participant, the Employer hereby agrees to limit contributions to all such plans as provided herein, if necessary in order to avoid excess contributions (as described in Section 5.02 of the Plan).

- 1. If the Participant is covered under another qualified defined contribution plan maintained by the Employer, the provisions of Section 5.02(a) through (e) of the Plan will apply, unless another method has been indicated below.

[] Other Method. (Provide the method under which the plans will limit total Annual Additions to the Maximum Permissible Amount, and will properly reduce any Excess Amounts, in a manner that precludes Employer discretion.) _____

- 2. The Limitation Year is the following 12 consecutive month period: January - December

X. VESTING PROVISIONS

The Employer hereby specifies the following vesting schedule, subject to (1) the Code's vesting requirements in effect on September 1, 1974 and (2) the concurrence of the Plan Administrator. (For the blanks below, enter the applicable percentage - from 0 to 100 (with no entry after the year in which 100% is entered), in ascending order.)

The following vesting schedule may apply to a Participant's interest in his/her Employer Contribution Account. The vesting schedule does not apply to Elective Deferrals, Catch-up Contributions, Mandatory Participant Contributions, Rollover Contributions, Voluntary Participant Contributions, Deductible Employee Contributions, Employee Designated Final Pay Contributions, and Employee Designated Accrued Leave Contributions, and the earnings thereon.

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XI. WITHDRAWALS AND LOANS

1. In-service distributions are permitted under the Plan after a Participant attains (select one of the below options):
 - Normal Retirement Age
 - 70 ½ (*"70 ½" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)
 - Alternate age (after Normal Retirement Age): _____
 - Not permitted at any age

2. A Participant shall be deemed to have a severance from employment solely for purposes of eligibility to receive distributions from the Plan during any period the individual is performing service in the uniformed services for more than 30 days.
 - Yes No (*"Yes" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

3. Tax-free distributions of up to \$3,000 for the direct payment of Qualified Health Insurance Premiums for Eligible Retired Public Safety Officers are available under the Plan.
 - Yes No (*"No" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

4. In-service distributions of the Rollover Account are permitted under the Plan as provided in Section 9.07
 - Yes No (*"No" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

5. Loans are permitted under the Plan, as provided in Article XIII of the Plan:
 - Yes No (*"No" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

XII. SPOUSAL PROTECTION

The Plan will provide the following level of spousal protection (select one):

- 1. Participant Directed Election. The normal form of payment of benefits under the Plan is a lump sum. The Participant can name any person(s) as the Beneficiary of the Plan, with no spousal consent required.
- 2. Beneficiary Spousal Consent Election (Article XII of the Plan will apply if option 2 is selected). The normal form of payment of benefits under the Plan is a lump sum. Upon death, the surviving spouse is the Beneficiary, unless he or she consents to the Participant's naming another Beneficiary. (*"Beneficiary Spousal Consent Election" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)
- 3. QJSA Election (Article XVII). The normal form of payment of benefits under the Plan is a 50% qualified joint and survivor annuity with the spouse (or life annuity, if single). In the event of the Participant's death prior to commencing payments, the spouse will receive an annuity for his or her lifetime. (If option 3 is selected, the spousal consent requirements in Article XII of the Plan also will apply.)

XIII. FINAL PAY CONTRIBUTIONS

(Under the Plan's definitions, Earnings automatically include leave cashouts paid by the later of 2 ½ months after severance from employment or the end of the calendar year. If the Plan will provide additional contributions based on the Participant's final paycheck attributable to Accrued Leave, please provide instructions in this section. Otherwise, leave this section blank.)

The Plan will provide for Final Pay Contributions if either 1 or 2 below is selected. The following group of Employees shall be eligible for Final Pay Contributions:

- 1. Employees within the Covered Employment Classification identified in section V of the Adoption Agreement.
- 2. Other: _____
(This must be a subset of the Covered Employment Classification identified in section V of the Adoption Agreement.)

Final Pay shall be defined as (select one):

- A. Accrued unpaid vacation
- B. Accrued unpaid sick leave
- C. Accrued unpaid vacation and sick leave
- D. Other (insert definition of Final Pay - must be leave that Employee would have been able to use if employment had continued and must be bona fide vacation and/or sick leave):
D. salary as defined by C.R.S. SS 24-51-101(42)

1. **Employer Final Pay Contribution.** The Employer shall contribute on behalf of each Participant _____% of their Final Pay to the Plan (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan).

2. **Employee Designated Final Pay Contribution.** Each Employee eligible to participate in the Plan shall be given the opportunity at enrollment to irrevocably elect to contribute _____% (insert fixed percentage of Final Pay to be contributed) or up to _____% (insert maximum percentage of Final Pay to be contributed) of Final Pay to the Plan (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan).

Once elected, an Employee's election shall remain in force and may not be revised or revoked.

XIV. ACCRUED LEAVE CONTRIBUTIONS

The Plan will provide for unpaid Accrued Leave Contributions annually if either 1 or 2 is selected below. The following group of Employees shall be eligible for Accrued Leave Contributions:

- 1. Employees within the Covered Employment Classification identified in section V of the Adoption Agreement.
- 2. Other: _____
(This must be a subset of the Covered Employment Classification identified in section V of the Adoption Agreement.)

Accrued Leave shall be defined as (select one):

- A. Accrued unpaid vacation
- B. Accrued unpaid sick leave
- C. Accrued unpaid vacation and sick leave
- D. Other (insert definition of Accrued Leave that is bona fide vacation and/or sick leave):

1. Employer Accrued Leave Contribution. The Employer shall contribute as follows

(choose one of the following options):

For each Plan Year, the Employer shall contribute on behalf of each eligible Participant the unused Accrued Leave in excess of _____ (insert number of hours/days/weeks (circle one)) to the Plan (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan).

For each Plan Year, the Employer shall contribute on behalf of each eligible Participant _____% of un- used Accrued Leave to the Plan (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan).

2. Employee Designated Accrued Leave Contribution

Each eligible Participant shall be given the opportunity at enrollment to irrevocably elect to annually contribute _____% (insert fixed percentage of unpaid Accrued Leave to be contributed) or up to _____% (insert maximum percentage of unpaid Accrued Leave to be contributed) of unpaid Accrued Leave to the Plan (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan). Once elected, an Employee's election shall remain in force and may not be revised or revoked.

XV. The Employer hereby attests that it is a unit of state or local government or an agency or instrumentality of one or more units of state or local government.

XVI. The Employer understands that this Adoption Agreement is to be used with only the MissionSquare Retirement Money Purchase Plan. This MissionSquare Retirement Governmental Money Purchase Plan is a restatement of a previous plan, which was submitted to the Internal Revenue Service for approval on December 31, 2018 and received approval on June 30, 2020.

The Plan Administrator will inform the Employer of any amendments to the Plan made pursuant to Section 14.05 of the Plan or of the discontinuance or abandonment of the Plan. The Employer understands that an amendment(s) made pursuant to Section 14.05 of the Plan will become effective within 30 days of notice of the amendment(s) unless the Employer

notifies the Plan Administrator, in writing, that it disapproves of the amendment(s). If the Employer so disapproves, the Plan Administrator will be under no obligation to act as Administrator under the Plan.

XVII. The Employer hereby appoints the ICMA Retirement Corporation, doing business as MissionSquare Retirement, as the Plan Administrator pursuant to the terms and conditions of the MISSIONSQUARE RETIREMENT GOVERNMENTAL MONEY PURCHASE PLAN.

The Employer hereby agrees to the provisions of the Plan.

- XVIII.** The Employer understands that it must complete a new Adoption Agreement upon first adoption of the Plan. Additionally, upon any modifications to a prior election, making of new elections, or restatements of the Plan, a new Adoption Agreement must be completed. The Employer hereby acknowledges it understands that failure to properly fill out this Adoption Agreement may result in disqualification of the Plan.
- XIX.** An adopting Employer may rely on an Opinion Letter issued by the Internal Revenue Service as evidence that the Plan is qualified under section 401 of the Internal Revenue Code only to the extent provided in Rev. Proc. 2017-41. The Employer may not rely on the Opinion Letter in certain other circumstances or with respect to certain qualification requirements, which are specified in the Opinion Letter issued with respect to the Plan and in Rev. Proc. 2017-41.

In Witness Whereof, the Employer hereby causes this Money Purchase Plan Adoption Agreement to be executed.

EMPLOYER SIGNATURE & DATE

Signature of Authorized Plan Representative: Kerry Ann George

Print Name: Kerry Ann George

Title: Assistant Finance Director

Attest: _____

Date: 5 / 3 / 2022

See attached addendum

For inquiries regarding adoption of the plan, the meaning of plan provisions, or the effect of the Opinion Letter, contact:

MissionSquare Retirement
777 N. Capitol St. NE Suite 600
Washington, DC 20002
800-326-7272

52582-0621-W1304

Statement V. 1.

The Mayor and Key Management Staff who make an irrevocable election to exempt from Colorado PERA membership per C.R.S. § 24-51-308. The Fire Chief and Police Chief who make an irrevocable election to exempt from FPPA Statewide Defined Benefit system per FPPA Rules & Regulations 102.02.

Statement VI. 1. A.

Employer Contributions: The Employer shall contribute on behalf of each:

The Mayor and Key Management Staff who make an irrevocable election to exempt from Colorado PERA membership per C.R.S. § 24-51-308. **10% of Earnings.**

The Fire Chief and Police Chief who make an irrevocable election to exempt from FPPA Statewide Defined Benefit system per FPPA Rules & Regulations 102.02. **10 % of Earnings**

for the Plan Year (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan). Mandatory Participant Contributions

are required [] are not required

to be eligible for this Employer Contribution.

Statement VI. 1. B.

Required Mandatory Contributions. A Participant is required to contribute (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan) the specified amounts designated in items (i) through (iii) of the Contribution Schedule below:

- (i) The Mayor and Key Management Staff who make an irrevocable election to exempt from Colorado PERA membership per C.R.S. § 24-51-308. **8% of Earnings**

The Fire Chief and Police Chief who make an irrevocable election to exempt from FPPA Statewide Defined Benefit system per FPPA Rules & Regulations 102.02 **8% of Earnings**

Statement VII 3.

For the Mayor and Key Management Staff who make an irrevocable election to exempt from Colorado PERA membership per C.R.S. § 24-51-308 and the Fire Chief and Police Chief who make an irrevocable election to exempt from FPPA Statewide Defined Benefit system per FPPA Rules & Regulations 102.02, salary as defined by C.R.S. § 24-51-101(42).

In Witness of the Employer hereby causes this agreement to be executed this 3rd day of May, 2022

EMPLOYER

ICMA
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Washington, DC 20002
800-326-7272

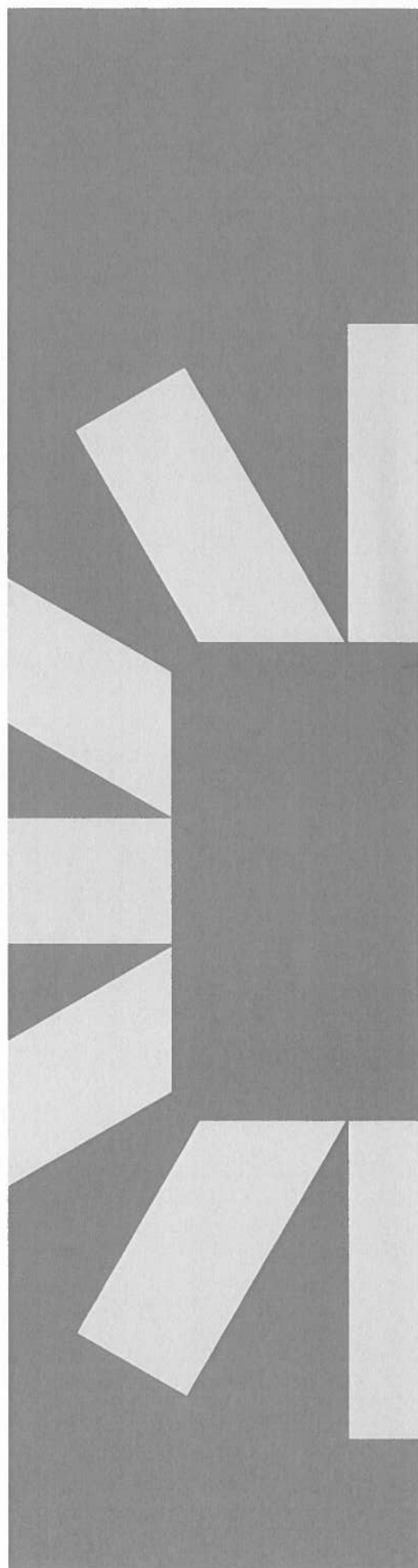
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ICMA Retirement Corporation
doing business as

MissionSquare Retirement Governmental Money Purchase Plan Adoption Agreement

MissionSquare
RETIREMENT



**MissionSquare Retirement
Governmental Money Purchase Plan Adoption Agreement**

Plan Number: 108489

The Employer hereby establishes a Money Purchase Plan to be known as CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS
_____ (the "Plan") in the form of the MissionSquare Retirement Governmental Money Purchase Plan.

New Plan or Amendment and Restatement (Check One):

Amendment and Restatement

This Plan is an amendment and restatement of an existing defined contribution Money Purchase Plan. Please specify the name of the defined contribution Money Purchase Plan which this Plan hereby amends and restates:

CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS

Effective Date of Restatement. The effective date of the Plan shall be:

04/08/2022

(Note: The effective date can be no earlier than the first day of the Plan Year in which this restatement is adopted. If no date is provided, by default, the effective date will be the first day of the Plan Year in which the restatement is adopted.)

New Plan

Effective Date of New Plan. The effective date of the Plan shall be the first day of the Plan Year during which the Employer adopts the Plan, unless an alternate effective date is hereby specified: _____

(Note: An alternate effective date can be no earlier than the first day of the Plan Year in which the Plan is adopted.)

I. EMPLOYER: CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS

(The Employer must be a governmental entity under Internal Revenue Code § 414(d))

II. SPECIAL EFFECTIVE DATES

Please note here any elections in the Adoption Agreement with an effective date that is different from that noted above.

(Note provision and effective date.)

III. PLAN YEAR

The Plan Year will be:

January 1 – December 31 (*Default*)

The 12 month period ending _____
Month Day

IV. Normal Retirement Age shall be age 55_____ (not less than 55 nor in excess of 65).

Important Note to Employers: Normal Retirement Age is significant for determining the earliest date at which the Plan may allow for in-service distributions. Normal Retirement Age also defines the latest date at which a Participant must have a fully vested right to his/her Account. There are IRS rules that limit the age that may be specified as the Plan's Normal Retirement Age. The Normal Retirement Age cannot be earlier than what is reasonably representative of the typical retirement age for the industry in which the covered workforce is employed.

In 2016, the Internal Revenue Service proposed regulations that would provide rules for determining whether a governmental pension plan's normal retirement age satisfies the Internal Revenue Code's qualification requirements. A normal retirement age that is age 62 or later is deemed to be not earlier than the earliest age that is reasonably representative of the typical retirement age for the industry in which the covered workforce is employed. Whether an age below 62 satisfies this requirement depends on the facts and circumstances, but an Employer's good faith, reasonable determination will generally be given deference. A special rule, however, says that a normal retirement age that is age 50 or later is deemed to be not earlier than the earliest age that is reasonably representative of the typical retirement age for the industry in which the covered workforce is employed if the participants to which this normal retirement age applies are qualified public safety employees (within the meaning of section 72(t)(10)(B)). These regulations are proposed to be effective for employees hired during plan years beginning on or after the later of: (1) January 1, 2017; or (2) the close of the first regular legislative session of the legislative body with the authority to amend the plan that begins on or after the date that is 3 months after the final regulations are published in the Federal Register. In the meantime, however, governmental plan sponsors may rely on these proposed regulations.

In lieu of age-based Normal Retirement Age, the Plan shall use the following age and service-based Normal Retirement Age _____

Important Note to Employers: Before using a Normal Retirement Age based on age and service, a plan sponsor should review the proposed regulations (81 Fed. Reg. 4599 (Jan. 27, 2016)) and consult counsel.

V. COVERED EMPLOYMENT CLASSIFICATIONS

1. The following group or groups of Employees are eligible to participate in the Plan:

- All Employees
- All Full Time Employees
- Salaried Employees
- Non union Employees
- Management Employees
- Public Safety Employees
- General Employees
- Other Employees (Specify the group(s) of eligible Employees below. Do not specify Employees by name. Specific positions are acceptable.) See Addendum

The group specified must correspond to a group of the same designation that is defined in the statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, personnel manuals or other material in effect in the state or locality of the Employer. The eligibility requirements cannot be such that an Employee becomes eligible only in the Plan Year in which the Employee terminates employment.

Note: As stated in Sections 4.08 and 4.09, the Plan may, however, provide that Final Pay Contributions or Accrued Leave Contributions are the only contributions made under the Plan.

2. Period of Service required for participation

N/A – The Employer hereby waives the requirement of a Period of Service for participation. Employees are eligible to participate upon employment. (*“N/A” is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

Yes. The required Period of Service shall be _____ months (not to exceed 12 months).

The Period of Service selected by the Employer shall apply to all Employees within the Covered Employment Classification.

3. Minimum Age (Select One) – A minimum age requirement is hereby specified for eligibility to participate.

Yes. Age _____ (*not to exceed age 21*).

N/A – No minimum age applies (*“N/A” is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

VI. CONTRIBUTION PROVISIONS

1. **The Employer shall contribute as follows:** (Choose all that apply, but at least one of Options A or B. If Option A is not selected, Employer must pick up Mandatory Participant Contributions under Option B.)

Fixed Employer Contributions With or Without Mandatory Participant Contributions. (If Option B is chosen, please complete section C.)

A. Fixed Employer Contributions. The Employer shall contribute on behalf of each Participant See Addendum _____ % of Earnings or

\$ _____ for the Plan Year (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan).

Mandatory Participant Contributions

are required are not required

to be eligible for this Employer Contribution.

B. Mandatory Participant Contributions for Plan Participation

Required Mandatory Contributions. A Participant is required to contribute (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan) the specified amounts designated in items (i) through (iii) of the Contribution Schedule below:

Yes No

Employee Opt-In Mandatory Contributions. To the extent that Mandatory Participant Contributions are not required by the Plan, each Employee eligible to participate in the Plan shall be given the opportunity, when first eligible to participate in the Plan or any other plan or arrangement of the Employer described in Code section 219(g)(5)(A) to irrevocably elect to contribute Mandatory Participant Contributions by electing to contribute the specified amounts designated in items (i) through (iii) of the Contribution Schedule below for each Plan Year (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan):

Yes No

Contribution Schedule. (Any percentage or dollar amount entered below must be greater than 0% or \$0.)

i. See Addendum

_____ % of Earnings,

ii. \$ _____, or

iii. a whole percentage of Earnings between the range of _____ (*insert range of percentages between 1% and 20% inclusive (e.g., 3%, 6%, or 20%; 5% to 7%)*), as designated by the Employee in accordance with guidelines and procedures established by the Employer for the Plan Year as a condition of participation in the Plan. A Participant must pick a single percentage and shall not have the right to discontinue or vary the rate of such contributions after becoming a Plan Participant.

Employer "Pick up". The Employer hereby elects to "pick up" the Mandatory Participant Contributions¹(pickup is required if Option A is not selected)

Yes No (*"Yes" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

C. Election Window (Complete if Option B is selected):

Newly eligible Employees shall be provided an election window of 60 days (no more than 60 calendar-days) from the date of initial eligibility during which they may make the election to participate in the Mandatory Participant Contribution portion of the Plan. Participation in the Mandatory Participant Contribution portion of the Plan shall begin the first of the month following the end of the election window.

An Employee's election is irrevocable and shall remain in force until the Employee terminates employment or ceases to be eligible to participate in the Plan. In the event of re-employment to an eligible position, the Employee's original election will resume. In no event does the Employee have the option of receiving the pick-up contribution amount directly.

2. The Employer may also elect to make Employer Matching Contributions as follows:

Fixed Employer Match of After-Tax Voluntary Participant Contributions. (Do not complete this section unless the Plan permits after-tax Voluntary Participant Contributions under Section VI.3 of the Adoption Agreement.)

The Employer shall contribute on behalf of each Participant _____ % of Earnings for the Plan Year (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan) for each Plan Year that such Participant has contributed _____ % of Earnings or \$ _____. Under this option, there is a single, fixed rate of Employer Contributions, but a Participant may decline to make the Voluntary Participant Contributions in any Plan Year, in which case no Employer Contribution will be made on the Participant's behalf in that Plan Year.

¹Neither an IRS opinion letter nor a determination letter issued to an adopting Employer is a ruling by the Internal Revenue Service that Participant contributions that are "picked up" by the Employer are not includable in the Participant's gross income for federal income tax purposes. Pick-up contributions are not mandated to receive private

letter rulings; however, if an adopting Employer wishes to receive a ruling on pick-up contributions they may request one in accordance with Revenue Procedure 2012-4 (or subsequent guidance).

[] Variable Employer Match of After-Tax Voluntary Participant Contributions. (Do not complete unless the Plan permits after-tax Voluntary Participant Contributions under Section VI.3 of the Adoption Agreement.)

The Employer shall contribute on behalf of each Participant an amount determined as follows (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan):

_____ % of the Voluntary Participant Contributions made by the Participant for the Plan Year (not including Voluntary Participant Contributions exceeding _____ % of Earnings or \$_____);

PLUS _____ % of the contributions made by the Participant for the Plan Year in excess of those included in the above paragraph (but not including Voluntary Participant Contributions exceeding in the aggregate _____ % of Earnings or \$_____).

Employer Matching Contributions on behalf of a Participant for a Plan Year shall not exceed \$_____ or _____ % of Earnings, whichever is [] more or [] less.

[] Fixed Employer Match of Participant 457(b) Plan Deferrals. The Employer shall contribute on behalf of each Participant _____ % of Earnings for the Plan Year (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan) for each Plan Year that such Participant has deferred _____ % of Earnings or \$_____ to the Employer's 457(b) deferred compensation plan. Under this option, there is a single, fixed rate of Employer Contributions, but a Participant may decline to make the required 457(b) deferrals in any Plan Year, in which case no Employer Contribution will be made on the Participant's behalf in that Plan Year.

[] Variable Employer Match of Participant 457(b) Plan Deferrals.

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[] Yes [X] No (*"No" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

4. Employer contributions for a Plan Year shall be contributed to the Trust in accordance with the following payment schedule (no later than the 15th day of the tenth calendar month following the end of the calendar year or fiscal year (as applicable depending on the basis on which the Employer keeps its books) with or within which the particular Limitation Year ends, or in accordance with applicable law):

[] Weekly [X] Biweekly [] Monthly [] Annually in _____ (*specify month*)

5. Participant contributions for a Plan Year shall be contributed to the Trust in accordance with the following payment schedule (no later than the 15th day of the tenth calendar month following the end of the calendar year or fiscal year (as applicable depending on the basis on which the Employer keeps its books) with or within which the particular Limitation Year ends, or in accordance with applicable law):

Weekly Biweekly Monthly Annually in _____ (specify month)

6. In the case of a Participant performing qualified military service (as defined in Code section 414(u)) with respect to the Employer:

A. Plan contributions will be made based on differential wage payments:

Yes No (*"Yes" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

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Earnings, as defined under Section 2.09 of the Plan, shall include:

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1. The Employer will permit Rollover Contributions in accordance with Section 4.13 of the Plan:

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If the Employer maintains or ever maintained another qualified plan in which any Participant in this Plan is (or was) a participant or could possibly become a participant, the Employer hereby agrees to limit contributions to all such plans as provided herein, if necessary in order to avoid excess contributions (as described in Section 5.02 of the Plan).

- 1. If the Participant is covered under another qualified defined contribution plan maintained by the Employer, the provisions of Section 5.02(a) through (e) of the Plan will apply, unless another method has been indicated below.

Other Method. (Provide the method under which the plans will limit total Annual Additions to the Maximum Permissible Amount, and will properly reduce any Excess Amounts, in a manner that precludes Employer discretion.) _____

- 2. The Limitation Year is the following 12 consecutive month period: _____

X. VESTING PROVISIONS

The Employer hereby specifies the following vesting schedule, subject to (1) the Code's vesting requirements in effect on September 1, 1974 and (2) the concurrence of the Plan Administrator. (For the blanks below, enter the applicable percentage - from 0 to 100 (with no entry after the year in which 100% is entered), in ascending order.)

The following vesting schedule may apply to a Participant's interest in his/her Employer Contribution Account. The vesting schedule does not apply to Elective Deferrals, Catch-up Contributions, Mandatory Participant Contributions, Rollover Contributions, Voluntary Participant Contributions, Deductible Employee Contributions, Employee Designated Final Pay Contributions, and Employee Designated Accrued Leave Contributions, and the earnings thereon.

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Four	%
Five	%
Six	%
Seven	%
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Nine	%
Ten	%

XI. WITHDRAWALS AND LOANS

1. In-service distributions are permitted under the Plan after a Participant attains (select one of the below options):
 - Normal Retirement Age
 - 70 ½ (*"70 ½" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)
 - Alternate age (after Normal Retirement Age): _____
 - Not permitted at any age

2. A Participant shall be deemed to have a severance from employment solely for purposes of eligibility to receive distributions from the Plan during any period the individual is performing service in the uniformed services for more than 30 days.
 - Yes No (*"Yes" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

3. Tax-free distributions of up to \$3,000 for the direct payment of Qualified Health Insurance Premiums for Eligible Retired Public Safety Officers are available under the Plan.
 - Yes No (*"No" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

4. In-service distributions of the Rollover Account are permitted under the Plan as provided in Section 9.07
 - Yes No (*"No" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

5. Loans are permitted under the Plan, as provided in Article XIII of the Plan:
 - Yes No (*"No" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)

XII. SPOUSAL PROTECTION

The Plan will provide the following level of spousal protection (select one):

- 1. Participant Directed Election. The normal form of payment of benefits under the Plan is a lump sum. The Participant can name any person(s) as the Beneficiary of the Plan, with no spousal consent required.
- 2. Beneficiary Spousal Consent Election (Article XII of the Plan will apply if option 2 is selected). The normal form of payment of benefits under the Plan is a lump sum. Upon death, the surviving spouse is the Beneficiary, unless he or she consents to the Participant's naming another Beneficiary. (*"Beneficiary Spousal Consent Election" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.*)
- 3. QJSA Election (Article XVII). The normal form of payment of benefits under the Plan is a 50% qualified joint and survivor annuity with the spouse (or life annuity, if single). In the event of the Participant's death prior to commencing payments, the spouse will receive an annuity for his or her lifetime. (If option 3 is selected, the spousal consent requirements in Article XII of the Plan also will apply.)

XIII. FINAL PAY CONTRIBUTIONS

(Under the Plan's definitions, Earnings automatically include leave cashouts paid by the later of 2 ½ months after severance from employment or the end of the calendar year. If the Plan will provide additional contributions based on the Participant's final paycheck attributable to Accrued Leave, please provide instructions in this section. Otherwise, leave this section blank.)

The Plan will provide for Final Pay Contributions if either 1 or 2 below is selected. The following group of Employees shall be eligible for Final Pay Contributions:

- 1. Employees within the Covered Employment Classification identified in section V of the Adoption Agreement.
- 2. Other: _____
(This must be a subset of the Covered Employment Classification identified in section V of the Adoption Agreement.)

Final Pay shall be defined as (select one):

- A. Accrued unpaid vacation
- B. Accrued unpaid sick leave
- C. Accrued unpaid vacation and sick leave
- D. Other *(insert definition of Final Pay - must be leave that Employee would have been able to use if employment had continued and must be bona fide vacation and/or sick leave):*
stipend as defined by City Charter 13-20(b) and City Code 1.2.107

- 1. **Employer Final Pay Contribution.** The Employer shall contribute on behalf of each Participant _____% of their Final Pay to the Plan (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan).
- 2. **Employee Designated Final Pay Contribution.** Each Employee eligible to participate in the Plan shall be given the opportunity at enrollment to irrevocably elect to contribute _____% (insert fixed percentage of Final Pay to be contributed) or up to _____% (insert maximum percentage of Final Pay to be contributed) of Final Pay to the Plan (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan).

Once elected, an Employee's election shall remain in force and may not be revised or revoked.

XIV. ACCRUED LEAVE CONTRIBUTIONS

The Plan will provide for unpaid Accrued Leave Contributions annually if either 1 or 2 is selected below. The following group of Employees shall be eligible for Accrued Leave Contributions:

- 1. Employees within the Covered Employment Classification identified in section V of the Adoption Agreement.
- 2. Other: _____
(This must be a subset of the Covered Employment Classification identified in section V of the Adoption Agreement.)

Accrued Leave shall be defined as (select one):

- A. Accrued unpaid vacation
- B. Accrued unpaid sick leave
- C. Accrued unpaid vacation and sick leave
- D. Other (insert definition of Accrued Leave that is bona fide vacation and/or sick leave):

1. Employer Accrued Leave Contribution. The Employer shall contribute as follows
(choose one of the following options):

For each Plan Year, the Employer shall contribute on behalf of each eligible Participant the unused Accrued Leave in excess of _____ (insert number of hours/days/weeks (circle one)) to the Plan (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan).

For each Plan Year, the Employer shall contribute on behalf of each eligible Participant _____% of un- used Accrued Leave to the Plan (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan).

2. Employee Designated Accrued Leave Contribution

Each eligible Participant shall be given the opportunity at enrollment to irrevocably elect to annually contribute _____% (insert fixed percentage of unpaid Accrued Leave to be contributed) or up to _____% (insert maximum percentage of unpaid Accrued Leave to be contributed) of unpaid Accrued Leave to the Plan (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan). Once elected, an Employee's election shall remain in force and may not be revised or revoked.

XV. The Employer hereby attests that it is a unit of state or local government or an agency or instrumentality of one or more units of state or local government.

XVI. The Employer understands that this Adoption Agreement is to be used with only the MissionSquare Retirement Money Purchase Plan. This MissionSquare Retirement Governmental Money Purchase Plan is a restatement of a previous plan, which was submitted to the Internal Revenue Service for approval on December 31, 2018 and received approval on June 30, 2020.

The Plan Administrator will inform the Employer of any amendments to the Plan made pursuant to Section 14.05 of the Plan or of the discontinuance or abandonment of the Plan. The Employer understands that an amendment(s) made pursuant to Section 14.05 of the Plan will become effective within 30 days of notice of the amendment(s) unless the Employer

notifies the Plan Administrator, in writing, that it disapproves of the amendment(s). If the Employer so disapproves, the Plan Administrator will be under no obligation to act as Administrator under the Plan.

XVII. The Employer hereby appoints the ICMA Retirement Corporation, doing business as MissionSquare Retirement, as the Plan Administrator pursuant to the terms and conditions of the MISSIONSQUARE RETIREMENT GOVERNMENTAL MONEY PURCHASE PLAN.

The Employer hereby agrees to the provisions of the Plan.

XVIII. The Employer understands that it must complete a new Adoption Agreement upon first adoption of the Plan. Additionally, upon any modifications to a prior election, making of new elections, or restatements of the Plan, a new Adoption Agreement must be completed. The Employer hereby acknowledges it understands that failure to properly fill out this Adoption Agreement may result in disqualification of the Plan.

XIX. An adopting Employer may rely on an Opinion Letter issued by the Internal Revenue Service as evidence that the Plan is qualified under section 401 of the Internal Revenue Code only to the extent provided in Rev. Proc. 2017-41. The Employer may not rely on the Opinion Letter in certain other circumstances or with respect to certain qualification requirements, which are specified in the Opinion Letter issued with respect to the Plan and in Rev. Proc. 2017-41.

In Witness Whereof, the Employer hereby causes this Money Purchase Plan Adoption Agreement to be executed.

EMPLOYER SIGNATURE & DATE

Signature of Authorized Plan Representative: Herry Ann George

Print Name: Herry Ann George

Title: Assistant Finance Director

Attest: _____

Date: 5 / 3 / 2022

See attached addendum

For inquiries regarding adoption of the plan, the meaning of plan provisions, or the effect of the Opinion Letter, contact:

MissionSquare Retirement
777 N. Capitol St. NE Suite 600
Washington, DC 20002
800-326-7272

52582-0621-W1304

Statement V. 1.

City Council Members who make an irrevocable election to exempt from Colorado PERA Membership per C.R.S. § 24-51-307(1) (a).

Statement VI. 1. A.

Employer Contributions: The Employer shall contribute on behalf of each:

City Council Members who make an irrevocable election to exempt from Colorado PERA Membership per C.R.S. § 24-51-307(1) (a). **0% of Earnings** for the Plan Year (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan).

Mandatory Participant Contributions

[] are required [] are not required

to be eligible for this Employer Contribution.

Statement VI. 1. B.

Required Mandatory Contributions. A Participant is required to contribute (subject to the limitations of Article V of the Plan) the specified amounts designated in items (i) through (iii) of the Contribution Schedule below:

- (i) City Council Members who make an irrevocable election to exempt from Colorado PERA Membership per C.R.S. § 24-51-307(1)(a). **7.5% of Earnings**

Statement VII. 3.

For City Council Members who make an irrevocable election to exempt from Colorado PERA Membership per C.R.S. § 24-51-307(1) (a) the full amount of their stipend per City Charter 13-20(b) and City Code 1.2.107.

In Witness of the Employer hereby causes this agreement to be executed this 3rd day of May, 2022

EMPLOYER

ICMA
777 North Capitol; St., NE Suite 600
Washington, DC 20002
800-326-7272

By: Kerry Ann George
Print Name: Kerry Ann George
Title: Assistant Finance Director
Attest: _____

By: _____
Print Name: _____
Title: _____
Attest: _____



457 Governmental Plan and Trust
Optional Provisions Election Form (July 2020)

Employers should execute this form to make elections, or change prior elections, related to optional provisions contained in the ICMA Retirement Corporation 457 Governmental Deferred Compensation Plan and Trust document. This form may also be used by plan sponsors utilizing an individually designed plan document.

Plan Number: 300636 Employer Plan Name: City of Colorado Springs

I. PLAN DOCUMENT (If you are establishing a new plan, please skip this section.)

Our plan currently uses:

- ICMA-RC's model plan document
An individually designed plan document

II. PLAN YEAR

The plan year will be (select one):

- January 1 - December 31 (Default); or
The 12-month period beginning Month Day

III. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The following group or groups of Employees are eligible to participate in the plan:

- All Employees (Default)
Full-time Employees
Salaried Employees
Non-union Employees
Management
Public Safety Employees
General Employees
Other Employees (specify the group(s) of eligible employees):

The group specified must correspond to a group of the same designation that is defined in the statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, personnel manuals or other material in effect in the state or locality of the Employer.

IV. LOANS

Loans are allowed under the plan.

- Yes No (Default)

If you select "Yes" above, you must also complete and return the Loan Guidelines Agreement in the Loan Implementation Package for 457/401 Plan Sponsors.

V. DISTRIBUTIONS

a. In-service distributions while employed with the Employer are permitted after a participant attains (select one of the options):

Age 70½ (*Default*)

Not permitted at any age

b. In-service distributions of rollovers are allowed at any time:

Yes No (*Default*)

c. Tax-free distributions for the payment of qualifying insurance premiums for eligible retired public safety officers are available under the plan.

Yes No (*Default*)

d. Unforeseeable emergency withdrawals are permitted.

Yes (*Default*) No

In applying the rules for unforeseeable emergency withdrawals, the determination of any unforeseen emergency shall include circumstances applying to a Primary Beneficiary.

Yes (*Default*) No

VI. ROTH PROVISIONS

a. The plan will offer Designated Roth Accounts as described in Article IX.

Yes No (*Default*)

[If No is selected, skip the remainder of this Section VI.]

b. The plan will allow In-Plan Roth Conversions as provided in Section 9.05.

Yes (*Default*) No

c. Designated Roth Accounts will be available as a source for loans under the plan.

Yes No or N/A (*Default*)

VII. AUTOMATIC ENROLLMENT

The plan will offer automatic enrollment.

Yes No (*Default*)

This is not a change. Additional signed documents are on file with MSQ

If you select "Yes" above, further steps are required to implement this feature, including completing implementation forms. We will contact you.

VIII. DEFERRAL OF SICK PAY, VACATION AND BACK PAY (CHOOSE ANY/ALL THAT APPLY)

Participants may elect to defer:

- Accumulated Sick Pay
- Accumulated Vacation Pay
- Back Pay

All 3 are available only for the final check of employee which are terminating or retiring from employment with the City of Colorado Springs

Note: If no election is made, a Participant will not be able to defer any of these.

The Participant's election to defer accumulated sick pay, accumulated vacation pay, or back pay must be made before the beginning of the month in which these amounts would otherwise be paid or made available to the employee.

IX. EMPLOYER MATCH

Employer will match Elective Deferrals and Default Elective Deferrals ("Deferrals"), beginning with the first payroll period occurring 91 days after a Participant's first Deferral.

Yes No (Default)

[If No is selected, skip the remainder of Section IX. IF YES, COMPLETE ALL THAT APPLY].

Employer Percentage Match of Deferrals

The Employer shall contribute on behalf of each Participant an amount determined as follows (subject to the limitations of Article V of the plan):

_____ % of the Deferrals made on behalf of the Participant for the Plan Year (not including Deferrals exceeding _____ % of Earnings or \$ _____);

Plus _____ % of the Deferrals made on behalf of the Participant for the Plan Year in excess of those included in the above paragraph (but not including Deferrals exceeding in the aggregate _____ % of Earnings or \$ _____).

Employer matching contributions on behalf of a Participant for a Plan Year shall not exceed \$ _____ or _____ % of Earnings, whichever is (CHOOSE ONE) more less.

Employer Dollar Match of Deferrals

The Employer shall contribute on behalf of each Participant an amount determined as follows (subject to the limitations of Article V of the plan):

\$ _____ for each _____ % of Earnings or \$ _____ that the Employer contributes on behalf of the Participant as Deferrals for the Plan Year (not including Deferrals exceeding _____ % of Earnings or \$ _____);

Plus \$ _____ for each _____ % of Earnings or \$ _____ that the Employer contributes on behalf of the Participant as Deferrals for the Plan Year in excess of those included in the above paragraph (but not including

Deferrals exceeding in the aggregate % of Earnings or \$_____).

Employer matching contributions on behalf of a Participant for a Plan Year shall not exceed \$_____ or _____% of Earnings, whichever is (CHOOSE ONE) more less.

X. MILITARY SERVICE ELECTIONS

- a. Plan contributions shall be made under the plan for differential wage payments (i.e., payments made by the employer to an individual performing military service that represents all or a portion of the wages he/she would have received).

Yes (*Default*) No

If yes is selected, this is effective beginning January 1, 2009 (or if later, the effective date of the Plan), unless another effective date is filled in here: _____

- b. A participant shall be deemed to have a severance from employment for purposes of eligibility for a distribution during any period of military service for more than 30 days.

Yes No (*Default*)

- c. A participant who dies or becomes Disabled (as defined in the plan) while performing qualified military service shall receive plan contributions as if the individual had resumed employment on the day preceding death or disability and then terminated employment on the actual date of death or disability.

Yes No (*Default*)

If yes is selected, this is effective for participants who died or became disabled while performing military service on or after January 1, 2007 (or if later, the effective date of the plan), unless another effective date is filled in here:

_____ (date cannot be prior to January 1, 2007)

XI. SPOUSAL CONSENT (APPLIES ONLY TO COMMUNITY PROPERTY STATES)

If your state is not a community property state, skip the remainder of Section XI.

Where spousal consent is required, it will apply to:

Only to persons who are married (*Default*)

A person who is married, who is a domestic partner under state law, or who is a person in a civil union or other formally recognized personal partnership

A person who is married or who is a domestic partner under state law

A person who is married or is a person in a civil union or other formally recognized personal partnership

Note: This election applies only for plans in community property states requiring the consent of a spouse to name someone other than the spouse as a beneficiary, and only for determining who is treated as a "spouse" for this purpose and not for any other plan purposes.

XII. SUMMARY OF CHANGES

If you are making changes to an existing plan, please summarize the changes along with the effective dates of the changes below and identify the applicable *Optional Provisions Election Form* section number. If you are establishing a new plan, please skip this section.

- a. Roth - Provision VI Effective Date: 08 / 21 / 2022
- b. _____ Effective Date: / /
- c. _____ Effective Date: / /
- d. _____ Effective Date: / /

XIII. EMPLOYER SIGNATURE

By signing, Employer confirms he or she is authorized to make the elections specified on this form.

Employer hereby appoints ICMA-RC as the non-discretionary Plan Administrator in accordance with the terms and conditions of the ICMA Retirement Corporation 457 Governmental Deferred Compensation Plan and Trust.

Employer hereby attests that it is a unit of state or local government or an agency or instrumentality of one or more units of state or local government.

Employer acknowledges that applicable state law may or may not allow for the addition of an Automatic Enrollment Feature in their 457(b) plan administered by ICMA-RC, and Employer assumes full responsibility for the decision to add such a feature to their plan.

Employer Signature: Kerry George

Date (mm/dd/yyyy): 07 / 07 / 2022

Name (Please Print): Kerry Ann George

Title: Assistant Finance Director

Preferred Phone Number: (719) 385-5158

Email Address: Kerry.george@coloradosprings.gov

Plan Number: 300636

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As Amended and Restated

Article I. Purpose

The Employer identified in Article 2.09 hereby establishes and maintains the Employer's Deferred Compensation Plan and Trust, hereafter referred to as the "Plan." The Employer is a State, political subdivision of a State, or an agency or instrumentality of a State or political subdivision, as described in Section 457(e)(1)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code ("the Code").

The primary purpose of this Plan is to provide retirement income and other deferred benefits to the Employees of the Employer and the Employees' Beneficiaries in accordance with the provisions of Section 457 of the Code.

The Employer has determined that the establishment of a deferred compensation plan for the Employees of the Employer serves the interests of the Employer by enabling it to provide reasonable retirement security for its employees, by providing increased flexibility in its personnel management system, and by assisting in the attraction and retention of competent personnel.

This Plan shall be an agreement solely between the Employer and participating Employees. The Plan and Trust forming a part hereof are established and shall be maintained for the exclusive benefit of Participants and their Beneficiaries. No part of the corpus or income of the Trust shall revert to the Employer or be used for or diverted to purposes other than the exclusive benefit of Participants and their Beneficiaries.

The Employer adopts the Group Trust created by the Declaration of Trust of VantageTrust Company.

Article II. Definitions

- 2.01 Account.** The bookkeeping account maintained for each Participant reflecting the cumulative amount of the Participant's Deferred Compensation, including any income, gains, losses, or increases or decreases in market value attributable to the Employer's investment of the Participant's Deferred Compensation, and further reflecting any distributions to the Participant or the Participant's Beneficiary and any fees or expenses charged against such Participant's Deferred Compensation.
- 2.02 Accounting Date.** For valuing the Trust's assets, as provided in Section 6.06, each business day that the New York Stock Exchange is open for trading.
- 2.03 Administrator.** The person or persons named in writing to carry out certain nondiscretionary administrative functions under the Plan, as hereinafter described. The Employer may remove any person as Administrator upon seventy-five (75) days' advance notice in writing to such person, in which case the Employer shall name another person or persons to act as Administrator. The Administrator may resign upon seventy-five (75) days' advance notice in writing to the Employer, in which case the Employer shall name another person or persons to act as Administrator. Unless otherwise provided in the Plan, the Administrator shall act at the direction of the Employer and shall be fully protected in acting on such direction. The Employer may enter into a separate agreement with the Administrator

detailing features of the Plan and any elections as to the administration of the Plan.

- 2.04 Automatic Distribution Date.** April 1 of the calendar year after the year the Participant attains age 70½ or, if later, has a Severance Event.
- 2.05 Beneficiary.** The person or persons named by the Participant in his or her Joinder Agreement who shall receive any benefits payable hereunder in the event of the Participant's death. In the event that the Participant names two or more Beneficiaries, each Beneficiary shall be entitled to equal shares of the benefits payable at the Participant's death, unless otherwise provided in the Participant's Joinder Agreement. If no Beneficiary is named in the Joinder Agreement, if the named Beneficiary predeceases the Participant, or if the named Beneficiary does not survive the Participant for a period of fifteen (15) days, then the estate of the Participant shall be the Beneficiary. If a married Participant resides in a community property state, the Participant shall be responsible for obtaining appropriate consent of his or her spouse in the event the Participant names someone other than his or her spouse as Beneficiary; provided, however that solely for purposes of this sentence, the term "spouse" shall have the meaning determined by the Employer.

For purposes of Section 7.09(c), relating to unforeseeable emergency withdrawals, the term Primary Beneficiary means an individual who is named as a Beneficiary under the Plan and who would have an unconditional right to all or a portion of the Participant's account balance under the Plan upon the death of the Participant (or Beneficiary who has inherited an account balance).

- 2.06 Deferred Compensation.** The amount of Includible Compensation otherwise payable to the Participant that the Participant and the Employer mutually agree to defer hereunder (including pursuant to automatic enrollment in Section 4.03), any amount credited to a Participant's Account by reason of a transfer under Section 6.09 or 6.10, a rollover under Section 6.11, or any other amount the Employer agrees to credit to a Participant's Account.
- 2.07 Dollar Limitation.** The applicable dollar amount within the meaning of Section 457(b)(2)(A) of the Code, as adjusted for the cost-of-living in accordance with Section 457(e)(15) of the Code.
- 2.08 Employee.** Any individual who provides services for the Employer, whether as an employee of the Employer, as defined by state law, or as an independent contractor, and who has been designated by the Employer as eligible to participate in the Plan.
- 2.09 Employer.** _____ which is a State, political subdivision of a State, or agency or instrumentality of a State, as described in Section 457(e)(1)(A) of the Code.
- 2.10 457 Catch-Up Dollar Limitation.** Twice the Dollar Limitation.
- 2.11 Includible Compensation.** Includible Compensation of a Participant means "compensation," as defined in Section 415(c)(3) of the Code, for services performed for the Employer. Includible Compensation shall be determined without regard to any community property laws. For purposes of a Participant's Joinder Agreement only and not for purposes of the limitations in Article V, Includible Compensation shall include pre-tax contributions (excluding direct employer contributions) to an integral part trust of the employer providing retiree health care benefits.
- 2.12 Joinder Agreement.** An agreement entered into between an Employee and the Employer, including any amendments or modifications thereof, that fixes the amount of Deferred Compensation, specifies a preference among the investment alternatives designated by the Employer, names the Employee's Beneficiary or Beneficiaries, and incorporates the terms, conditions, and provisions of the Plan by

reference. A Joinder Agreement includes amounts that an Employer agrees to credit to the Employee's account as "employer contributions."

- 2.13 Normal Limitation.** The maximum amount of Deferred Compensation for any Participant for any taxable year (other than amounts referred to in Sections 6.09, 6.10, and 6.11).
- 2.14 Normal Retirement Age.** Age 70½, unless the Participant has elected an alternate Normal Retirement Age by written instrument delivered to the Administrator prior to a Severance Event. A Participant's Normal Retirement Age determines the period during which a Participant may utilize the additional catch-up dollar limitation of Section 5.02(b) hereunder and determines the right to receive certain tax free distributions described in Section 7.14. Once a Participant has to any extent utilized the catch-up limitation of Section 5.02(b), his Normal Retirement Age may not be changed.

A Participant's alternate Normal Retirement Age may not be earlier than the earliest date that the Participant will become eligible to retire and receive immediate, unreduced retirement benefits under the Employer's basic defined benefit retirement plan covering the Participant (or a money purchase pension plan of the Employer in which the Participant also participates if the Participant is not eligible to participate in a defined benefit plan of the Employer), and may not be later than the date the Participant will attain age 70½. If the Participant will not become eligible to receive benefits under a basic defined benefit retirement plan (or money purchase pension plan, if applicable) maintained by the Employer, the Participant's alternate Normal Retirement Age may not be earlier than 65 and may not be later than age 70½ (except as provided in the next paragraph). Solely for purposes of the prior two sentences, a plan of the Employer includes a plan maintained by the state (or a political subdivision or agency or instrumentality of the state) in which the Employer is located. In no event may a Participant's normal retirement age be different than the normal retirement age under the Employer's other 457(b) plans, if any.

In the event the Plan has Participants that include qualified police or firefighters (as defined under Section 415(b)(2)(H)(ii)(I) of the Code), a normal retirement age may be designated for such qualified police or firefighters that is not earlier than age 40 or later than age 70½. Alternatively, qualified police or firefighters may be permitted to designate a normal retirement age that is between age 40 and age 70½.

- 2.15 Participant.** Any Employee who has joined the Plan pursuant to the requirements of Article IV. Unless the context requires otherwise, the term Participant includes an Employee or former Employee of the Employer who has not yet received all of the payments of benefits to which he/she is entitled under the Plan.
- 2.16 Percentage Limitation.** 100 percent of the Participant's Includible Compensation available to be contributed as Deferred Compensation for the taxable year.
- 2.17 Plan Year.** The calendar year, unless otherwise elected by the Employer.
- 2.18 Severance Event.** A severance of the Participant's employment with the Employer within the meaning of Section 457(d)(1)(A)(ii) of the Code.

In general, a Participant shall be deemed to have experienced a Severance Event for purposes of this Plan when, in accordance with the established practices of the Employer, the employment relationship is considered to have actually terminated. If the Plan does not allow participation by independent contractors of the Employer, a Participant shall also be deemed to have experienced a Severance Event for purposes of the Plan when, in accordance with the established practices of the Employer, the Participant ceases to be an employee and becomes an independent contractor. If the Plan allows participation by independent contractors of the

Employer, then in the case of a Participant who is an independent contractor of the Employer, a Severance Event shall be deemed to have occurred when the Participant's contract under which services are performed has completely expired and terminated, there is no foreseeable possibility that the Employer will renew the contract or enter into a new contract for the Participant's services, and it is not anticipated that the Participant will become an Employee of the Employer, or such other events as may be permitted under the Code.

- 2.19 **Trust.** The Trust created under Article VI of the Plan which shall consist of all compensation deferred under the Plan, plus any income and gains thereon, less any losses, expenses and distributions to Participants and Beneficiaries.

Article III. Administration

- 3.01 **Duties of the Employer.** The Employer shall have the authority to make all discretionary decisions affecting the rights or benefits of Participants that may be required in the administration of this Plan. The Employer's decisions shall be afforded the maximum deference permitted by applicable law.
- 3.02 **Duties of Administrator.** The Administrator, as agent for the Employer and subject to oversight by the Employer, shall perform nondiscretionary administrative functions in connection with the Plan, including the maintenance of Participants' Accounts, the provision of periodic reports of the status of each Account, and the disbursement of benefits on behalf of the Employer in accordance with the provisions of this Plan.

Article IV. Participation in the Plan

- 4.01 **Initial Participation.** An Employee that the Employer elects to be eligible for the Plan may become a Participant by entering into a Joinder Agreement (or by being treated as entering into a Joinder Agreement pursuant to Section 4.03) prior to the beginning of the calendar month in which the Joinder Agreement is to become effective to defer compensation not yet paid or made available, or such other date as may be permitted under the Code. A new employee may defer compensation in the calendar month during which he or she first becomes an employee if a Joinder Agreement is entered into on or before the first day on which the employee performs services for the Employer.
- 4.02 **Amendment of Joinder Agreement.** A Participant may amend an executed Joinder Agreement to change the amount of Includible Compensation not yet paid or made available that is to be deferred (including the reduction of such future deferrals to zero). Such amendment shall become effective as of the beginning of the calendar month commencing after the date the amendment is executed, or such other date as may be permitted under the Code. A Participant may at any time amend his or her Joinder Agreement to change the Beneficiary or specify investments, and such amendment shall become effective immediately.
- 4.03 **Automatic Enrollment.**
- (a) *If elected by the Employer, the Plan will provide for automatic enrollment.* In this case, an Employee will become a Participant, shall be treated as entering into a Joinder Agreement, and shall have compensation deferred, at the amount equal to the percentage of compensation specified by the Employer, unless the Employee affirmatively elects a different amount (or elects not to enter into a Joinder Agreement) within the initial "opt-out" period specified by the Employer. The "opt-out" period shall be no less than thirty (30) days and no more than ninety (90) days. The Participant will be treated as having entered into a Joinder Agreement at the end of such opt-out period and Default Elective Deferrals shall begin on the first pay period of the following calendar month. Unless otherwise elected by the Employer, these

automatic enrollment provisions will also apply when an Employee is rehired. An Employee who becomes a Participant pursuant to this Section 4.03 may amend the Joinder Agreement as provided in Section 4.02.

(b) **Definitions.** *The following definitions shall apply for this Section 4.03:*

- (1) **Eligible Automatic Contribution Arrangement (“EACA”).** An automatic contribution arrangement that satisfies the uniformity and notice requirements of this Section 4.03.
- (2) **Automatic Contribution Arrangement.** An arrangement under which, in the absence of an affirmative election by a Covered Employee, a specified percentage of compensation will be withheld from the Covered Employee’s pay and contributed to the Plan as Deferred Compensation.
- (3) **Covered Employee.** A Participant identified by the Employer as being covered under the EACA. An independent contractor cannot be a Covered Employee.
- (4) **Default Elective Deferrals.** The Deferred Compensation contributed to the Plan under the EACA on behalf of Covered Employees who do not have an affirmative election in effect regarding Deferred Compensation.
- (5) **Default Rate.** The percentage of a Covered Employee’s compensation contributed to the Plan as a Default Elective Deferral, per pay period, for a given Plan Year. The Default Rate is specified by the Employer.

(c) **Rules of Application**

- (1) Default Elective Deferrals will be made on behalf of Covered Employees who do not have an affirmative election in effect regarding Deferred Compensation. The amount of Default Elective Deferrals made for a Covered Employee each pay period is equal to the Default Rate multiplied by the Covered Employee’s compensation for that pay period. If the Employer elects, a Covered Employee’s Default Elective Deferrals will increase each Plan Year by a designated percentage, per pay period, beginning with the second Plan Year that begins after the Default Rate first applies to the Covered Employee. The increase will be effective beginning with the first pay period that begins in such Plan Year.
- (2) A Covered Employee will have a reasonable opportunity after receipt of the notice described in Section 4.03(e) to make an affirmative election regarding Deferred Compensation (either to have no Deferred Compensation contributed or to have a different amount of Deferred Compensation contributed) before Default Elective Deferrals are made on the Covered Employee’s behalf. Default Elective Deferrals being made on behalf of a Covered Employee will cease as soon as administratively feasible after the Covered Employee makes an affirmative election. An affirmative election to have no Deferred Compensation contributed, made no later than ninety (90) days after Default Elective Deferrals are first withheld from a Covered Employee’s pay, shall be deemed a request for distribution of the Covered Employee’s Default Elective Deferrals under Section 4.03(f) of the Plan, unless the Covered Employee affirmatively elects otherwise.

(d) **Uniformity Requirement**

- (1) Except as provided in (2), below, if the Employer has elected to have Covered Employees’ Default

Elective Deferrals increase each Plan Year by a designated percentage, the same percentage of compensation will be withheld as a Default Elective Deferral from all Covered Employees subject to the Default Rate.

- (2) Default Elective Deferrals will be reduced or stopped to meet the limitations under Section 457(b) of the Code, and to satisfy any suspension period required after a hardship distribution from another plan maintained by the Employer.

(e) Notice Requirement

- (1) At least thirty (30) days, but not more than ninety (90) days, before the beginning of the Plan Year, the Employer will provide each Covered Employee a comprehensive notice of the Covered Employee's rights and obligations under the EACA, written in a manner calculated to be understood by the average Covered Employee. If an employee becomes a Covered Employee after the 90th day before the beginning of the Plan Year and does not receive the notice for that reason, the notice will be provided no more than ninety (90) days before the employee becomes a Covered Employee but no later than the date the employee becomes a Covered Employee.
- (2) The notice must accurately describe:
 - (i) the amount of Default Elective Deferrals that will be made on the Covered Employee's behalf in the absence of an affirmative election;
 - (ii) the Covered Employee's right to elect to have no Deferred Compensation deferred on his or her behalf or to have a different amount of Deferred Compensation deferred;
 - (iii) how Default Elective Deferrals will be invested in the absence of the Covered Employee's investment instructions; and
 - (iv) the Covered Employee's right to make a withdrawal of Default Elective Deferrals and procedures for making such a withdrawal.

(f) Withdrawal of Default Elective Deferrals

- (1) No later than ninety (90) days after Default Elective Deferrals are first withheld from a Covered Employee's pay, the Covered Employee may request a distribution of his or her Default Elective Deferrals. No spousal consent is required for withdrawal under this provision.
- (2) The amount distributed from the Plan upon the Covered Employee's request is equal to the amount of Default Elective Deferrals made through the earlier of (a) the pay date for the second payroll period that begins after the Covered Employee's withdrawal request and (b) the first pay date that occurs after thirty (30) days following the Covered Employee's request, plus attributable earnings through the date of distribution. Any fee charged to the Covered Employee for the withdrawal may not be greater than any other fee charged for a cash distribution.
- (3) Unless the Covered Employee affirmatively elects otherwise, any withdrawal request will be treated as an affirmative election to stop having Deferred Compensation deferred on the Covered Employee's behalf as of the date specified in Section 4.03(f)(2) above.

- (4) Default Elective Deferrals distributed pursuant to this Section 4.03(f) are not counted towards the dollar limitation on Deferred Compensation contained in Section 457(b) of the Code. Matching contributions that might otherwise be allocated to a Covered Employee's account on behalf of Default Elective Deferrals will not be allocated to the extent the Covered Employee withdraws such Deferred Compensation pursuant to this Section 4.03(f) and any matching contributions already made on account of Default Elective Deferrals that are later withdrawn pursuant to this Section 4.03(f) will be forfeited.

4.04 Vesting of Employer Contributions. If a Participant's Joinder Agreement provides for the Employer to credit Deferred Compensation to a Participant's Account in the form of "employer contributions," such credits shall be immediately vested, except as provided in Section 4.03(f)(4).

Article V. Limitations on Deferrals

5.01 Normal Limitation. Except as provided in Section 5.02, the maximum amount of Deferred Compensation for any Participant for any taxable year, shall not exceed the lesser of the Dollar Limitation or the Percentage Limitation.

5.02 Catch-Up Limitations.

- (a) Catch-up Contributions for Participants Age 50 and Over: A Participant who has attained the age of 50 before the close of the taxable year, and with respect to whom no other elective deferrals may be made to the Plan for the Plan Year by reason of the Normal Limitation of Section 5.01, may enter into a Joinder Agreement to make elective deferrals in addition to those permitted by the Normal Limitation in an amount not to exceed the lesser of:
 - (1) The applicable dollar amount as defined in Section 414(v)(2)(B) of the Code, as adjusted for the cost-of-living in accordance with Section 414(v)(2)(C) of the Code; or
 - (2) The excess (if any) of:
 - (i) The Participant's Includible Compensation for the year, or
 - (ii) Any other elective deferrals of the Participant for such year which are made without regard to this Section 5.02(a).

An additional contribution made pursuant to this Section 5.02(a) shall not, with respect to the year in which the contribution is made, be subject to any otherwise applicable limitation contained in Section 5.01 above, or be taken into account in applying such limitation to other contributions or benefits under the Plan or any other plan. This Section 5.02(a) shall not apply in any year to which a higher limit under Section 5.02(b) applies.

- (b) Last Three Years Catch-up Contribution: For each of the last three (3) taxable years for a Participant ending the year before the year he or she attains (or will attain) Normal Retirement Age, the maximum amount of Deferred Compensation shall be the lesser of:
 - (1) The 457 Catch-Up Dollar Limitation, or
 - (2) The sum of

- (i) The Normal Limitation for the taxable year, and
- (ii) The Normal Limitation for each prior taxable year of the Participant commencing after 1978 less the amount of the Participant's Deferred Compensation for such prior taxable years. A prior taxable year shall be taken into account under the preceding sentence only if (x) the Participant was eligible to participate in the Plan for such year, and (y) compensation (if any) deferred under the Plan (or such other plan) was subject to the Normal Limitation.

Should the maximum Deferred Compensation under this Section 5.02(b) be lower in any of the three (3) years than the maximum Deferred Compensation under Section 5.02(a), the Participant may instead defer amounts under 5.02(a) if otherwise permitted and no further deferrals under Section 5.02(b) will be permitted.

5.03 Sick, Vacation and Back Pay. If the Employer so elects, a Participant may defer all or a portion of the value of the Participant's accumulated sick pay, accumulated vacation pay and/or back pay, provided that such deferral does not cause total deferrals on behalf of the Participant to exceed the Dollar Limitation or Percentage Limitation (including any catch-up dollar limitation) for the year of deferral. The election to defer such sick, vacation and/or back pay must be made in a manner and at a time permitted under Section 1.457-4(d) of the Income Tax Regulations.

For Plan Years beginning before January 1, 2009, pursuant to proposed IRS regulations issued under Section 415 of the Code, the Plan may permit deferrals from compensation, including sick, vacation and back pay, so long as the amounts are paid within 2½ months following severance from employment and the other requirements of Sections 457(b) and 415 of the Code are met. For Plan Years beginning on or after January 1, 2009, pursuant to final IRS regulations issued under Section 415 of the Code, the Plan may permit deferrals from compensation, including sick, vacation and back pay, so long as the amounts are paid by the later of: (i) 2½ months following severance from employment, and (ii) the end of the calendar year that includes the date of such severance from employment, and the other requirements of Sections 457(b) and 415 of the Code are met. Additionally, the agreement to defer such amounts must be entered into prior to the first day of the month in which the amounts otherwise would be paid or made available.

5.04 Other Plans. Notwithstanding any provision of the Plan to the contrary, the amount excludible from a Participant's gross income under this Plan or any other eligible deferred compensation plan under Section 457(b) of the Code shall not exceed the limits set forth in Sections 457(b) and 414(v) of the Code.

5.05 Excess Deferrals. Any amount that exceeds the maximum Dollar Limitation or Percentage Limitation (including any applicable catch-up dollar limitation) for a taxable year, shall constitute an excess deferral for that taxable year. Any excess deferral shall be distributed to the Participant in accordance with the requirements for excess deferrals under the Code and Section 1.457-4(e) of the Income Tax Regulations or other applicable Internal Revenue Service guidance.

5.06 Protection of Person Who Serves in a Uniformed Service. An Employee whose employment is interrupted by qualified military service under Section 414(u) of the Code or who is on leave of absence for qualified military service under Section 414(u) of the Code may elect to contribute additional Deferred Compensation upon resumption of employment with the Employer equal to the maximum Deferred Compensation that the Employee could have elected during that period if the Employee's employment with the Employer had continued (at the same level of Includible Compensation) without the interruption or leave, reduced by Deferred Compensation, if any, actually made for the Employee during the period of the interruption or leave. This right applies for five (5) years following the resumption of employment (or, if sooner, for a period equal to three (3) times the period of the interruption or leave).

- 5.07 **Benefit Accruals with Respect to Qualified Military Service.** Notwithstanding any provision of the Plan to the contrary, if the Employer so elects, Participants who die or become Disabled while performing qualified military service (as defined in Code Section 414(u)) with respect to the Employer shall receive Plan contributions as permitted under Code Section 414(u)(9).
- 5.08 **Benefit Accruals with Respect to Differential Wage Payments.** Unless otherwise elected by the Employer, Plan contributions shall be made based on differential wage payments (as such term is defined in Section 3401(h)(2) of the Code).

Article VI. Trust and Investment of Accounts

- 6.01 **Investment of Deferred Compensation.** A Trust described in Section 457(g) of the Code is hereby created to hold all the assets of the Plan for the exclusive benefit of Participants and Beneficiaries, except that expenses and taxes may be paid from the Trust as provided in Section 6.03. The trustee shall be the Employer or such other person that agrees with the consent of the Employer to act in that capacity hereunder.
- 6.02 **Investment Powers.** The trustee shall have the powers listed in this Section with respect to investment of Trust assets, except to the extent that the investment of Trust assets is directed by Participants, pursuant to Section 6.05 or to the extent that such powers are restricted by applicable law.
- (a) To invest and reinvest the Trust without distinction between principal and income in common or preferred stocks, shares of regulated investment companies and other mutual funds, bonds, loans, notes, debentures, certificates of deposit, contracts with insurance companies including but not limited to insurance, individual or group annuity, deposit administration, guaranteed interest contracts, and deposits at reasonable rates of interest at banking institutions including but not limited to savings accounts and certificates of deposit. Assets of the Trust may be invested in securities that involve a higher degree of risk than investments that have demonstrated their investment performance over an extended period of time.
 - (b) To invest and reinvest all or any part of the assets of the Trust in any common, collective or commingled trust fund that is maintained by a bank or other institution and that is available to Employee plans described under Sections 457 or 401 of the Code, or any successor provisions thereto, and during the period of time that an investment through any such medium shall exist, to the extent of participation of the Plans, the declaration of trust of such commonly collective, or commingled, trust fund shall constitute a part of this Plan.
 - (c) To invest and reinvest all or any part of the assets of the Trust in any group annuity, deposit administration or guaranteed interest contract issued by an insurance company or other financial institution on a commingled or collective basis with the assets of any other 457 plan or trust qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code or any other plan described in Section 401(a)(24) of the Code, and such contract may be held or issued in the name of the Administrator, or such custodian as the Administrator may appoint, as agent and nominee for the Employer. During the period that an investment through any such contract shall exist, to the extent of participation of the Plan, the terms and conditions of such contract shall constitute a part of the Plan.
 - (d) To hold cash awaiting investment and to keep such portion of the Trust in cash or cash balances, without liability for interest, in such amounts as may from time to time be deemed to be reasonable and necessary to meet obligations under the Plan or otherwise to be in the best interests of the Plan.

- (e) To hold, to authorize the holding of, and to register any investment to the Trust in the name of the Plan, the Employer, or any nominee or agent of any of the foregoing, including the Administrator, or in bearer form, to deposit or arrange for the deposit of securities in a qualified central depository even though, when so deposited, such securities may be merged and held in bulk in the name of the nominee of such depository with other securities deposited therein by any other person, and to organize corporations or trusts under the laws of any jurisdiction for the purpose of acquiring or holding title to any property for the Trust, all with or without the addition of words or other action to indicate that property is held in a fiduciary or representative capacity but the books and records of the Plan shall at all times show that all such investments are part of the Trust.
- (f) Upon such terms as may be deemed advisable by the Employer or the Administrator, as the case may be, for the protection of the interests of the Plan or for the preservation of the value of an investment, to exercise and enforce by suit for legal or equitable remedies or by other action, or to waive any right or claim on behalf of the Plan or any default in any obligation owing to the Plan, to renew, extend the time for payment of, agree to a reduction in the rate of interest on, or agree to any other modification or change in the terms of any obligation owing to the Plan, to settle, compromise, adjust, or submit to arbitration any claim or right in favor of or against the Plans to exercise and enforce any and all rights of foreclosure, bid for property in foreclosure, and take a deed in lieu of foreclosure with or without paying consideration therefor, to commence or defend suits or other legal proceedings whenever any interest of the Plan requires it, and to represent the Plan in all suits or legal proceedings in any court of law or equity or before any body or tribunal.
- (g) To employ suitable consultants, depositories, agents, and legal counsel on behalf of the Plan.
- (h) To open and maintain any bank account or accounts in the name of the Plan, the Employer, or any nominee or agent of the foregoing, including the Administrator, in any bank or banks.
- (i) To do any and all other acts that may be deemed necessary to carry out any of the powers set forth herein.

The trustee may authorize the Administrator to exercise these powers as an agent for the trustee, subject to the oversight of the trustee.

6.03 Taxes and Expenses. All taxes of any and all kinds whatsoever that may be levied or assessed under existing or future laws upon the Plan, or in respect to the Trust, or the income thereof, and all commissions or acquisitions or dispositions of securities and similar expenses of investment and reinvestment of the Trust, shall be paid from the Trust. Such reasonable compensation of the Administrator, as may be agreed upon from time to time by the Employer and the Administrator, and reimbursement for reasonable expenses incurred by the Administrator in performance of its duties hereunder (including but not limited to fees for legal, accounting, investment and custodial services) shall also be paid from the Trust.

6.04 Payment of Benefits. The payment of benefits from the Trust in accordance with the terms of the Plan may be made by the Administrator, or by any custodian or other person so authorized by the Employer to make such disbursement. The Administrator, custodian or other person shall not be liable with respect to any distribution of Trust assets made at the direction of the Employer.

6.05 Investment Funds. In accordance with uniform and nondiscriminatory rules established by the Employer and the Administrator, the Participant may direct his or her Accounts to be invested in one (1) or more investment funds available under the Plan (including a fund or investment that consists of or is available through an open brokerage window); provided, however, that the Participant's investment directions shall

not violate any investment restrictions established by the Employer. Neither the Employer, the Administrator, nor any other person shall be liable for any losses incurred by virtue of following such directions or with any reasonable administrative delay in implementing such directions.

6.06 Valuation of Accounts. As of each Accounting Date, the Plan assets held in each investment fund offered shall be valued at fair market value and the investment income and gains or losses for each fund shall be determined. Such investment income and gains or losses shall be allocated proportionately among all Account balances on a fund-by-fund basis. The allocation shall be in the proportion that each such Account balance as of the immediately preceding Accounting Date bears to the total of all such Account balances as of that Accounting Date. For purposes of this Article, all Account balances include the Account balances of all Participants and Beneficiaries.

6.07 Participant Loan Accounts. Participant loan accounts shall be invested in accordance with Section 8.03 of the Plan. Such Accounts shall not share in any investment income and gains or losses of the investment funds described in Sections 6.05 and 6.06.

6.08 Crediting of Accounts. The Participant's Account shall reflect the amount and value of the investments or other property obtained by the Employer through the investment of the Participant's Deferred Compensation pursuant to Sections 6.05 and 6.06. It is anticipated that the Employer's investments with respect to a Participant will conform to the investment preference specified in the Participant's Joinder Agreement, but nothing herein shall be construed to require the Employer to make any particular investment of a Participant's Deferred Compensation. Each Participant shall receive periodic reports, not less frequently than annually, showing the then current value of his or her Account.

6.09 Post-Severance Transfers Among Eligible Deferred Compensation Plans.

(a) *Incoming Transfers:* A transfer may be accepted from an eligible deferred compensation plan maintained by another employer and credited to a Participant's or Beneficiary's Account under the Plan if:

- (1) In the case of a transfer for a Participant, the Participant has had a Severance Event with that employer and become an Employee of the Employer;
- (2) The other employer's plan provides that such transfer will be made; and
- (3) The Participant or Beneficiary whose deferred amounts are being transferred will have an amount immediately after the transfer at least equal to the deferred amount immediately before the transfer.

The Employer may require such documentation from the predecessor plan as it deems necessary to effectuate the transfer in accordance with Section 457(e)(10) of the Code, to confirm that such plan is an eligible deferred compensation plan within the meaning of Section 457(b) of the Code, and to assure that transfers are provided for under such plan. The Employer may refuse to accept a transfer in the form of assets other than cash, unless the Employer and the Administrator agree to hold such other assets under the Plan.

(b) *Outgoing Transfers:* An amount may be transferred to an eligible deferred compensation plan maintained by another employer, and charged to a Participant's or Beneficiary's Account under this Plan, if:

- (1) In the case of a transfer for a Participant, the Participant has a Severance Event with the Employer and becomes an employee of the other employer;
- (2) The other employer's plan provides that such transfer will be accepted;

- (3) The Participant or Beneficiary and the employers have signed such agreements as are necessary to assure that the Employer's liability to pay benefits to the Participant has been discharged and assumed by the other employer; and
- (4) The Participant or Beneficiary whose deferred amounts are being transferred will have an amount immediately after the transfer at least equal to the deferred amount immediately before the transfer.

The Employer may require such documentation from the other plan as it deems necessary to effectuate the transfer, to confirm that such plan is an eligible deferred compensation plan within the meaning of Section 457(b) of the Code, and to assure that transfers are provided for under such plan. Such transfers shall be made only under such circumstances as are permitted under Section 457 of the Code and the regulations thereunder.

6.10 Transfers Among Eligible Deferred Compensation Plans of the Employer.

- (a) *Incoming Transfers.* A transfer may be accepted from another eligible deferred compensation plan maintained by the Employer and credited to a Participant's or Beneficiary's Account under the Plan if:
 - (1) The Employer's other plan provides that such transfer will be made;
 - (2) The Participant or Beneficiary whose deferred amounts are being transferred will have an amount immediately after the transfer at least equal to the deferred amount immediately before the transfer; and
 - (3) The Participant or Beneficiary whose deferred amounts are being transferred is not eligible for additional annual deferrals in the Plan unless the Participant or Beneficiary is performing services for the Employer.
- (b) *Outgoing Transfers.* An amount may be transferred to another eligible deferred compensation plan maintained by the Employer and credited to a Participant's or Beneficiary's Account under the Plan if:
 - (1) The Employer's other plan provides that such transfer will be accepted;
 - (2) The Participant or Beneficiary whose deferred amounts are being transferred will have an amount immediately after the transfer at least equal to the deferred amount immediately before the transfer; and
 - (3) The Participant or Beneficiary whose deferred amounts are being transferred is not eligible for additional annual deferrals in the Employer's other eligible deferred compensation plan unless the Participant or Beneficiary is performing services for the Employer.

6.11 Eligible Rollover Distributions.

- (a) *Incoming Rollovers:* An eligible rollover distribution may be accepted from an eligible retirement plan and credited to a Participant's Account under the Plan. The Employer may require such documentation from the distributing plan as it deems necessary to effectuate the rollover in accordance with Section 402 of the Code and to confirm that such plan is an eligible retirement plan within the meaning of Section 402(c)(8)(B) of the Code. The Plan shall separately account (in one (1) or more separate accounts) for eligible rollover distributions from any eligible retirement plan.

- (b) *Outgoing Rollovers:* Notwithstanding any provision of the Plan to the contrary that would otherwise limit a distributee's election under this Section, a distributee may elect, at the time and in the manner prescribed by the Administrator, to have any portion of an eligible rollover distribution paid directly to an eligible retirement plan specified by the distributee in a direct rollover.
- (c) *Definitions:*
- (1) **Eligible Rollover Distribution:** An eligible rollover distribution is any distribution of all or any portion of the balance to the credit of the distributee, except that an eligible rollover distribution does not include: any distribution that is one of a series of substantially equal periodic payments (not less frequently than annually) made for the life (or life expectancy) of the distributee or the joint lives (or joint life expectancies) of the distributee and the distributee's named beneficiary, or for a specified period of ten years or more; any distribution to the extent such distribution is required under Sections 401(a)(9) and 457(d)(2) of the Code; and any distribution made as a result of an unforeseeable emergency of the employee. Subject to Section 9.04 (related to rollovers of Roth amounts), for purposes of distributions from other eligible retirement plans rolled over into this Plan, the term eligible rollover distribution shall not include the portion of any distribution that is not includible in gross income (determined without regard to the exclusion for net unrealized appreciation with respect to employer securities), such as after-tax contributions.
 - (2) **Eligible Retirement Plan:** An eligible retirement plan is an individual retirement account described in Section 408(a) of the Code, an individual retirement annuity described in Section 408(b) of the Code, an annuity plan described in Sections 403(a) or 403(b) of the Code, a qualified trust described in Section 401(a) of the Code, or an eligible deferred compensation plan described in Section 457(b) of the Code which is maintained by an eligible governmental employer described in Section 457(e)(1)(A) of the Code, that accepts the distributee's eligible rollover distribution. Effective for distributions after December 31, 2007, a Participant may elect to have any portion of an Eligible Rollover Distribution paid directly to a Roth IRA described in Section 408A of the Code. Such a direct payment, as a qualified rollover distribution described in Section 408A(e)(1) of the Code, would be taxable to the Participant to the extent required by Section 408A(d)(3) of the Code.
 - (3) **Distributee:** A distributee includes an Employee or former Employee. In addition, the Employee's or former Employee's surviving spouse and the Employee's or former Employee's spouse or former spouse who is the alternate payee under a qualified domestic relations order, as defined in Section 414(p) of the Code, are distributees with regard to the interest of the spouse or former spouse. For distributions after December 31, 2006 (unless the Employer elected a different effective date in a prior plan document, a distributee includes the Employee's or former Employee's nonspouse designated Beneficiary, in which case, the distribution can only be transferred to a traditional or Roth IRA established on behalf of the nonspouse designated Beneficiary, in the Participant's name, for the purpose of receiving the distribution.
 - (4) **Direct Rollover:** A direct rollover is a payment by the plan to the eligible retirement plan specified by the distributee.
- (d) *Rollover by a Non-Spouse Designated Beneficiary*
- (1) Unless otherwise elected by the Employer, for distributions in Plan Years beginning after December 31, 2006 but on or before December 31, 2009, a non-spouse Beneficiary who qualifies as a

“designated beneficiary” under Code Section 401(a)(9)(E) may establish an individual retirement plan that will be treated as an inherited IRA pursuant to the provisions of Code Section 402(c)(11) into which all or a portion of a death benefit distribution from this Plan can be transferred directly. A trust maintained for the benefit of one (1) or more designated beneficiaries shall be treated in the same manner as a designated beneficiary.

- (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), for distributions in Plan Years beginning after December 31, 2009, a non-spouse Beneficiary who qualifies as a “designated beneficiary” under Code Section 401(a)(9)(E) may establish an individual retirement plan that will be treated as an inherited IRA pursuant to the provisions of Code Section 402(c)(11) into which all or a portion of a death benefit distribution from this Plan can be transferred directly. A trust maintained for the benefit of one (1) or more designated beneficiaries shall be treated in the same manner as a designated beneficiary.
- (3) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, a death benefit distribution shall not be eligible for transfer to an inherited IRA to the extent such distribution is a required minimum distribution under Code Section 401(a)(9).
- (4) If the dates noted above are modified by the Employer’s prior plan document, the December 31, 2009 dates in subsections (1) and (2), above, will be modified, as applicable, by the Employer’s prior plan document.

6.12 Trustee-to-Trustee Transfers to Purchase Permissive Service Credit. All or a portion of a Participant’s Account may be transferred directly to the trustee of a defined benefit governmental plan (as defined in Section 414(d) of the Code) if such transfer is (a) for the purchase of permissive service credit (as defined in Section 415(n)(3)(A) of the Code) under such plan, or (b) a repayment to which Section 415 of the Code does not apply by reason of subsection (k)(3) thereof, within the meaning of Section 457(e)(17) of the Code.

6.13 Treatment of Distributions of Amounts Previously Rolled Over From 401(a) and 403(b) Plans and IRAs. For purposes of Section 72(t) of the Code, a distribution from this Plan shall be treated as a distribution from a qualified retirement plan described in Section 4974(c)(1) of the Code to the extent that such distribution is attributable to an amount transferred to an eligible deferred compensation plan from a qualified retirement plan (as defined in Section 4974(c) of the Code).

6.14 Employer Liability. In no event shall the Employer’s liability to pay benefits to a Participant under this Plan exceed the value of the amounts credited to the Participant’s Account; neither the Employer nor the Administrator shall be liable for losses arising from depreciation or shrinkage in the value of any investments acquired under this Plan.

Article VII. Benefits

7.01 Retirement Benefits and Election on Severance Event.

- (a) *General Rule:* Except as otherwise provided in this Article VII, the distribution of a Participant’s Account shall commence as of a Participant’s Automatic Distribution Date, and the distribution of such benefits shall be made in accordance with one of the payment options described in Section 7.02. Notwithstanding the foregoing, but subject to the following paragraphs of this Section 7.01, the Participant may elect following a Severance Event to have the distribution of benefits commence on a fixed determinable date other than that described in the preceding sentence, but not later than April 1 of

the year following the year of the Participant's retirement or attainment of age 70½, whichever is later. The Participant's right to change his or her election with respect to commencement of the distribution of benefits shall not be restrained by this Section 7.01. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Administrator, in order to ensure the orderly administration of this provision, may establish a deadline after which such election to defer the commencement of distribution of benefits shall not be allowed for those benefits administered by Administrator.

- (b) *Loans*: Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 7.01, no election to defer the commencement of benefits after a Severance Event shall operate to defer the distribution of any amount in the Participant's loan account in the event of a default of the Participant's loan.

7.02 Payment Options. As provided in Sections 7.01 and 7.04, a Participant may elect to have the value of the Participant's Account distributed in accordance with one of the following payment options, provided that such option is consistent with the limitations set forth in Section 7.03:

- (a) Equal monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual payments in an amount chosen by the Participant, continuing until his or her Account is exhausted;
- (b) One (1) lump-sum payment;
- (c) Approximately equal monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual payments, calculated to continue for a period certain chosen by the Participant;
- (d) Annual Payments equal to the minimum distributions required under Section 401(a)(9) of the Code, including the incidental death benefit requirements of Section 401(a)(9)(G), over the life expectancy of the Participant or over the life expectancies of the Participant and his or her Beneficiary;
- (e) Payments equal to payments made by the issuer of a retirement annuity policy acquired by the Employer;
- (f) A split distribution under which payments under options (a), (b), (c) or (e) commence or are made at the same time, as elected by the Participant under Section 7.01, provided that all payments commence (or are made) by the latest benefit commencement date permitted under Section 7.01;
- (g) Any other payment option elected by the Participant and agreed to by the Employer and Administrator.

A Participant's selection of a payment option under Subsections (a), (c), or (g) above may include the selection of an automatic annual cost-of living increase. Such increase will be based on the rise in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) from the third quarter of the last year in which a cost-of-living increase was provided to the third quarter of the current year. Any increase will be made in periodic payment checks beginning the following January.

7.03 Limitation on Options. A Participant may not select a payment option under subsections 7.02(a) or (c) if the amount of any such periodic payment is less than \$100. No payment option may be selected by a Participant under Sections 7.02 or 7.04 unless it satisfies the requirements of Sections 401(a)(9) and 457(d)(2) of the Code, including the requirement that payments commencing before the death of the Participant shall satisfy the incidental death benefit requirements under Section 401(a)(9)(G) of the Code.

7.04 Minimum Required Distributions. Notwithstanding any provision of the Plan to the contrary, the Plan shall comply with the minimum required distribution rules set forth in Sections 457(d)(2) and 401(a)(9) of the

Code, including the incidental death benefit requirements of Section 401(a)(9)(G) of the Code.

- (a) *Application of Minimum Distribution Requirements:* The minimum distribution requirements of Section 401(a)(9) of the Code shall only apply to the Plan to the extent that such requirements are applicable by law for a year. Pursuant to the Worker, Retiree, and Employer Recovery Act of 2008 ("WRERA"), required minimum distributions were suspended for 2009.
- (b) *Special Rule for Scheduled Installment Payments:* All installment payments scheduled to be distributed to a Participant prior to the effective date of a suspension of the required minimum distribution provisions of Code Section 401(a)(9) shall be distributed as scheduled unless the Participant affirmatively elects to have the payments stopped. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for purposes of this Section 7.04(b), the effective date of the suspension of the required minimum distribution provisions for 2009 shall be deemed January 6, 2009.

7.05 Time and Manner of Distribution.

- (a) *Automatic Distribution Date.* The Automatic Distribution Date is April 1 of the year that follows the later of (1) the calendar year the Participant attains age 70½ or (2) retires due to a Severance Event. If the Participant postpones the required distribution due in the calendar year he or she attains age 70½ or severs employment, to the Automatic Distribution Date, the second required minimum distribution must be taken by the end of that year. The Participant's Account will be distributed, or begin to be distributed to the Participant no later than the Participant's Automatic Distribution Date.
- (b) *Death of Participant Before Distributions Begin.* Except as otherwise permitted by Section 401(a)(9) of the Code, if the Participant dies before distributions begin, the Participant's Account will be distributed, or begin to be distributed, no later than as follows:
 - (1) If the Participant's surviving spouse is the Participant's sole Designated Beneficiary, then, distributions to the surviving spouse will begin by December 31 of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the Participant died, or by December 31 of the calendar year in which the Participant would have attained age 70½, if later.
 - (2) If the Participant's surviving spouse is not the Participant's sole Designated Beneficiary, then distributions to the Designated Beneficiary will begin by December 31 of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the Participant died.
 - (3) If there is no Designated Beneficiary as of September 30 of the year following the year of the Participant's death, the Participant's Account will be distributed by December 31 of the calendar year containing the fifth anniversary of the Participant's death.
 - (4) If the Participant's surviving spouse is the Participant's sole Designated Beneficiary and the surviving spouse dies after the Participant but before distributions to the surviving spouse begin, this subparagraph 7.05(b), other than subsection 7.05(b)(1), will apply as if the surviving spouse were the Participant.

Distributions are considered to begin on the Participant's Automatic Distribution Date for purposes of this Section 7.05 and Section 7.07, unless Section 7.05(b)(4) applies. If Section 7.05(b)(4) applies, distributions are considered to begin on the date distributions are required to begin to the surviving spouse under Section 7.05(b)(1). If distributions under an annuity purchased from an insurance company irrevocably commence to the Participant before the Participant's Automatic Distribution Date (or to the Participant's surviving spouse before the date distributions are required to begin to the surviving spouse under Section 7.05(b)(1)), the date distributions are considered to begin is the date distributions actually

commence.

- (c) *Death of Participant On or After Distributions Begin.* Except as otherwise permitted by Section 401(a)(9) of the Code, if the Participant dies on or after distributions begin and before depleting his or her Account, distributions must commence to the Designated Beneficiary by December 31 of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the Participant died.
- (d) *Forms of Distribution.* Unless the Participant's Account is distributed in the form of an annuity purchased from an insurance company or in a single-sum on or before the Automatic Distribution Date, as of the first Distribution Calendar Year, distributions will be made in accordance with Sections 7.06 and 7.07. If the Participant's Account is distributed in the form of an annuity contract purchased from an insurance company, distributions thereunder will be made in accordance with the requirements of Section 401(a)(9) of the Code and the Income Tax Regulations.

7.06 Required Minimum Distributions During Participant's Lifetime.

- (a) *Amount of Required Minimum Distribution for Each Distribution Calendar Year.* During the Participant's lifetime, the minimum amount that will be distributed for each Distribution Calendar Year is the lesser of:
 - (1) the quotient obtained by dividing the Participant's Account Balance by the distribution period set forth in the Uniform Lifetime Table set forth in Section 1.401(a)(9)-9, Q&A-2, of the Income Tax Regulations using the Participant's age as of the Participant's birthday in the Distribution Calendar Year; or
 - (2) if the Participant's sole Designated Beneficiary for the Distribution Calendar Year is the Participant's spouse, the quotient obtained by dividing the Participant's Account Balance by the number in the Joint and Last Survivor Table set forth in Section 1.401(a)(9)-9, Q&A-3, of the Income Tax Regulations using the Participant's and spouse's attained ages as of the Participant's and spouse's birthdays in the Distribution Calendar Year.
- (b) *Lifetime Required Minimum Distributions Continue Through Year of Participant's Death.* Required minimum distributions will be determined under this Section 7.06 beginning with the first Distribution Calendar Year and continuing up to, and including, the Distribution Calendar Year that includes the Participant's date of death.

7.07 Required Minimum Distributions After Participant's Death.

- (a) *Death On or After Date Distributions Begin.*
 - (1) Participant Survived by Designated Beneficiary. If the Participant dies on or after the date distributions begin and there is a Designated Beneficiary, the minimum amount that will be distributed for each Distribution Calendar Year after the year of the Participant's death is the quotient obtained by dividing the Participant's Account Balance by the longer of the remaining Life Expectancy of the Participant or the remaining Life Expectancy of the Participant's Designated Beneficiary, determined as follows:
 - (i) The Participant's remaining Life Expectancy is calculated using the age of the Participant in the year of death, reduced by one for each subsequent year.
 - (ii) If the Participant's surviving spouse is the Participant's sole Designated Beneficiary, the remaining Life Expectancy of the surviving spouse is calculated for each Distribution Calendar Year after the year of the Participant's death using the surviving spouse's age as of the spouse's birthday in that year. For Distribution Calendar Years

after the year of the surviving spouse's death, the remaining Life Expectancy of the surviving spouse is calculated using the age of the surviving spouse as of the spouse's birthday in the calendar year of the spouse's death, reduced by one for each subsequent calendar year.

- (iii) If the Participant's surviving spouse is not the Participant's sole Designated Beneficiary, the Designated Beneficiary's remaining life expectancy is calculated using the age of the Beneficiary in the year following the year of the Participant's death, reduced by one for each subsequent year.

- (2) No Designated Beneficiary. If the Participant dies on or after the date distributions begin and there is no Designated Beneficiary as of September 30 of the year after the year of the Participant's death, the minimum amount that will be distributed for each Distribution Calendar Year after the year of the Participant's death is the quotient obtained by dividing the Participant's Account Balance by the Participant's remaining Life Expectancy calculated using the age of the Participant in the year of death, reduced by one for each subsequent year.

(b) *Death Before Date Distributions Begin.*

- (1) Participant Survived by Designated Beneficiary. Except as permitted by Section 401(a)(9) of the Code, if the Participant dies before the date distributions begin and there is a Designated Beneficiary, the minimum amount that will be distributed for each Distribution Calendar Year after the year of the Participant's death is the quotient obtained by dividing the Participant's Account Balance by the remaining Life Expectancy of the Participant's Designated Beneficiary, determined as provided in Section 7.07(a).
- (2) No Designated Beneficiary. If the Participant dies before the date distributions begin and there is no Designated Beneficiary as of September 30 of the year following the year of the Participant's death, distribution of the Participant's entire Account will be completed by December 31 of the calendar year containing the fifth anniversary of the Participant's death.
- (3) Death of Surviving Spouse Before Distributions to Surviving Spouse Are Required to Begin. If the Participant dies before the date distributions begin, the Participant's surviving spouse is the Participant's sole Designated Beneficiary, and the surviving spouse dies before distributions are required to begin to the surviving spouse under Section 7.05(b)(1), this Section 7.07(b) will apply as if the surviving spouse were the Participant.

7.08 Definitions.

- (a) *Designated Beneficiary*. The individual who is a designated by the Participant (or the Participant's surviving spouse) as the Beneficiary of the Participant's interest under the Plan and who is the Designated Beneficiary under Section 401(a)(9) of the Code and Section 1.401(a)(9)-4 of the Income Tax Regulations.
- (b) *Distribution Calendar Year*. A calendar year for which a minimum distribution is required. For distributions beginning before the Participant's death, the first Distribution Calendar Year is the calendar year immediately preceding the calendar year which contains the Participant's Automatic Distribution Date. For distributions beginning after the Participant's death, the first Distribution Calendar Year is the calendar year in which distributions are required to begin under Sections 7.05(b) and (c). The required minimum distribution for the Participant's first Distribution Calendar Year will be made on or before the Participant's Automatic Distribution Date. The required minimum distribution for other Distribution Calendar Years, including the required minimum distribution for the Distribution Calendar Year in which the Participant's Automatic Distribution Date occurs, will be made on or before December 31 of that Distribution Calendar Year.

- (c) *Life Expectancy.* Life Expectancy as computed by use of the Single Life Table in Section 1.401(a)(9)-9, Q&A-1, of the Income Tax Regulations.
- (d) *Participant's Account Balance.* The Account Balance as of the last Accounting Date in the calendar year immediately preceding the Distribution Calendar Year (valuation calendar year) increased by the amount of any contribution made and allocated or forfeitures allocated to the Account Balance as of dates in the valuation calendar year after the Accounting Date and decreased by distributions made in the valuation calendar year after the Accounting Date. The Account Balance for the valuation calendar year includes any amounts rolled over or transferred to the Plan either in the valuation calendar year or in the Distribution Calendar Year if distributed or transferred in the valuation calendar year.

7.09 Unforeseeable Emergencies.

- (a) In the event an unforeseeable emergency occurs, a Participant, or a Beneficiary with a current unconditional right to all or a portion of the Participant's account balance under the Plan following the death of the Participant, may, unless otherwise elected by the Employer, apply to the Employer (or the Administrator, acting on behalf of the Employer) to receive that part of the value of his or her Account that is reasonably needed to satisfy the emergency need. If such an application is approved by the Employer (or the Administrator, acting on behalf of the Employer), the Participant or Beneficiary shall be paid only such amount as the Employer or Administrator deems necessary to meet the emergency need, but payment shall not be made to the extent that the financial hardship may be relieved through cessation of deferral under the Plan, insurance or other reimbursement, or liquidation of other assets to the extent such liquidation would not itself cause severe financial hardship.
- (b) An unforeseeable emergency shall be deemed to involve only circumstances of severe financial hardship of a Participant or Beneficiary resulting from an illness or accident of the Participant or Beneficiary, the Participant's or Beneficiary's spouse, or the Participant's or Beneficiary's dependent (as defined in Section 152 of the Code, and, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2005, without regard to Sections 152(b)(1), (b)(2), and (d)(1)(B) of the Code); loss of the Participant's or Beneficiary's property due to casualty (including the need to rebuild a home following damage to a home not otherwise covered by homeowner's insurance, e.g., as a result of a natural disaster); or other similar extraordinary and unforeseeable circumstances arising as a result of events beyond the control of the Participant or the Beneficiary. For example, the imminent foreclosure of or eviction from the Participant's or Beneficiary's primary residence may constitute an unforeseeable emergency. In addition, the need to pay for medical expenses, including non-refundable deductibles, as well as for the cost of prescription drug medication, may constitute an unforeseeable emergency. The need to pay for the funeral expenses of a spouse or a dependent (as defined in Section 152 of the Code, and, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2005, without regard to Sections 152(b)(1), (b)(2), and (d)(1)(B) of the Code) may also constitute an unforeseeable emergency. In addition, loss of property due to theft, legal bills involving criminal charges, and lost or reduced wages of the Participant's or Beneficiary's household may constitute an unforeseeable emergency if extraordinary, unforeseeable, and arising as a result of events beyond the control of the Participant or Beneficiary and otherwise meeting the conditions described in Section 7.09(a). Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Section 7.09(b), the purchase of a home and the payment of college tuition are not unforeseeable emergencies.
- (c) Unless otherwise elected by the Employer, the determination of any unforeseeable emergency will be expanded to include circumstances of severe financial hardship resulting from an illness or accident of a Primary Beneficiary or other similar extraordinary and unforeseeable circumstances of a Primary Beneficiary that result in a severe financial hardship.

7.10 In-Service Distribution of Rollover Contributions. Effective January 1, 2006, the Employer may elect to allow Participants to receive an in-service distribution of amounts attributable to rollover contributions to the Plan. If the Employer has elected to make such distributions available, a Participant that has a separate account attributable to rollover contributions to the Plan may at any time elect to receive a distribution of all or any portion of the amount held in the rollover account.

7.11 In-Service Distribution to Participants Age 70½ or Older. Unless otherwise elected by the Employer, a Participant who has reached age 70½ and has not yet had a Severance Event, may, at any time, request a distribution of all or a part of his or her Account.

7.12 Distribution of De Minimis Accounts. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Article VII:

(a) *Mandatory Distribution:* If the value of a Participant's Account is less than \$1,000, the Participant's Account shall be paid to the Participant in a single lump sum distribution, provided that:

- (1) No amount has been deferred under the Plan with respect to the Participant during the 2-year period ending on the date of the distribution; and
- (2) There has been no prior distribution under the Plan to the Participant pursuant to this Section 7.12.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Plan to the contrary, if the amount of a Beneficiary's Account following notification of a Participant's death is less than \$1,000, the Beneficiary's Account may be paid to the Beneficiary in a single lump sum distribution.

(b) *Voluntary Distribution:* If the value of the Participant's Account is at least \$1,000 but not more than the dollar limit under Section 411(a)(11)(A) of the Code, the Participant may elect to receive his or her entire Account in a lump sum payment if:

- (1) No amount has been deferred under the Plan with respect to the Participant during the 2-year period ending on the date of the distribution; and
- (2) There has been no prior distribution under the Plan to the Participant pursuant to this Section 7.12.

7.13 Deemed Severance from Employment.

(a) Unless otherwise elected by the Employer, effective January 1, 2009, a Participant shall be deemed to have a severance from employment solely for purposes of eligibility to receive distributions from the Plan during any period the individual is performing service in the uniformed services (as defined in chapter 43 of title 38, United States Code) for more than thirty (30) days.

(b) If a Participant receives a distribution pursuant to Section 7.13(a), then during the six-month period beginning on the date of the distribution the Participant shall not be permitted to defer compensation.

(c) If a Participant receives a distribution which could be attributable to: (i) a deemed severance from employment described in subsection (a); or (ii) another distribution event under the Plan, then the distribution shall be considered made pursuant to the distribution event referenced in (ii), and the Participant shall not be subject to the limitation on elective deferrals or Voluntary Employee

Contributions set forth in subsection (b).

7.14 Distributions for Health and Long-Term Care Insurance for Public Safety Officers.

- (a) If elected by the Employer, for Plan Years beginning after December 31, 2006, Eligible Retired Public Safety Officers may elect after separation from service to have up to \$3,000 distributed tax-free annually from the Plan in order to pay for Qualified Health Insurance Premiums for an accident or health plan (including a self-insured plan) or a qualified long-term care insurance contract. The Plan shall make such distributions directly to the provider of the accident or health plan or qualified long-term care insurance contract.
- (b) The term "Eligible Retired Public Safety Officer" means an individual who, by reason of disability or attainment of Normal Retirement Age, is separated from service as a Public Safety Officer with the Employer who maintains the eligible retirement plan from which distributions pursuant to this Section are made. The term "Public Safety Officer" has the same meaning given such term by Section 1204(9)(A) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968.
- (c) The term "Qualified Health Insurance Premiums" means premiums for coverage for the Eligible Retired Public Safety Officer, his spouse, and dependents, by an accident or health insurance plan or qualified long-term care insurance contract (as defined in Code Section 7702B).

7.15 EESA Provisions. The provisions relating to qualified disaster recovery assistance distributions for Participants affected by certain 2008 severe storms, flooding, and tornadoes and repayment thereof, and relating to repayment of prior qualified distributions for home purchases, set forth in Section 702 of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 ("EESA") shall apply to the Plan.

7.16 KETRA and GOZA Provisions. The provisions relating to qualified hurricane distributions and repayment thereof set forth in Section 1400Q(a) of the Code, and relating to repayment of prior qualified distributions for home purchases set forth in Code Section 1400Q(b), shall apply to the Plan. These provisions added to the Code by the Katrina Emergency Tax Relief Act of 2005 ("KETRA") and the Gulf Opportunity Zone Act of 2005 (GOZA), permit plans to allow repayments of certain prior qualified distributions for home purchases for Participants affected by Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, and Wilma.

Article VIII. Loans to Participants

8.01 Availability of Loans to Participants.

- (a) If elected by the Employer, loans will be available to Participants in this Plan. A Participant may apply for a loan from the Plan subject to the limitations and other provisions of this Article.
- (b) The Employer shall establish written guidelines governing the granting of loans, provided that such guidelines are approved by the Administrator and are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Article, and that loans are made available to all applicable Participants on a reasonably equivalent basis.

8.02 Terms and Conditions of Loans to Participants. Any loan by the Plan to a Participant under Section 8.01 of the Plan shall satisfy the following requirements:

- (a) *Availability.* Loans shall be made available to all Participants who are active employees on a reasonably

equivalent basis. Loans shall not be made available to terminated Employees, Beneficiaries, or alternate payees.

- (b) *Interest Rate.* Loans must be adequately secured and bear a reasonable interest rate.
- (c) *Loan Limit.* No Participant loan shall exceed the present value of the Participant's Account.
- (d) *Foreclosure.* In the event of default on any installment payment, the outstanding balance of the loan shall be a deemed distribution. In such event, an actual distribution of a plan loan offset amount will not occur until a distributable event occurs in the Plan.
- (e) *Reduction of Account.* Notwithstanding any other provision of this Plan, the portion of the Participant's Account balance used as a security interest held by the Plan by reason of a loan outstanding to the Participant shall be taken into account for purposes of determining the amount of the Account balance payable at the time of death or distribution, but only if the reduction is used as repayment of the loan.
- (f) *Amount of Loan.* At the time the loan is made, the principal amount of the loan plus the outstanding balance (principal plus accrued interest) due on any other outstanding loans to the Participant from the Plan and from all other plans of the Employer that are either eligible deferred compensation plans described in Section 457(b) of the Code or qualified employer plans under Section 72(p)(4) of the Code shall not exceed the lesser of:
 - (1) \$50,000, reduced by the excess (if any) of
 - (i) The highest outstanding balance of loans from the Plan during the one (1) year period ending on the day before the date on which the loan is made; over
 - (ii) The outstanding balance of loans from the Plan on the date on which such loan is made; or
 - (2) One-half of the value of the Participant's interest in all of his or her Accounts under this Plan.

For the purpose of the above limitation, all loans from all qualified employer plans of the Employer under Code Section 72(p)(4) are aggregated.

- (g) *Application for Loan.* The Participant must give the Employer adequate written notice, as determined by the Employer, of the amount and desired time for receiving a loan. No more than one (1) loan may be made by the Plan to a Participant in any twelve-month period, unless a different period is elected by the Employer. No loan shall be approved if an existing loan from the Plan to the Participant is in default to any extent.
- (h) *Length of Loan.* Any loan issued shall require the Participant to repay the loan in substantially equal installments of principal and interest, at least monthly, over a period that does not exceed five (5) years from the date of the loan; provided, however, that if the proceeds of the loan are applied by the Participant to acquire any dwelling unit that is to be used within a reasonable time (determined at the time of the loan is made) after the loan is made as the principal residence of the Participant, the five (5) year limit shall not apply. In this event, the period of repayment shall not exceed a reasonable period determined by the Employer. Principal installments and interest payments otherwise due may be suspended for up to one (1) year during an authorized leave of absence, if the promissory note so provides, but not beyond the original term permitted under this subsection (h), with a revised payment schedule (within such term) instituted at the end of such period of suspension.

- (i) *Prepayment.* The Participant shall be permitted to repay the loan in whole or in part at any time prior to maturity, without penalty.
- (j) *Promissory Note.* The loan shall be evidenced by a promissory note executed by the Participant and delivered to the Employer, and shall bear interest at a reasonable rate determined by the Employer.
- (k) *Security.* The loan shall be secured by an assignment of the participant's right, title and interest in and to his or her Account.
- (l) *Assignment or Pledge.* For the purposes of paragraphs (f) and (g), assignment or pledge of any portion of the Participant's interest in the Plan and a loan, pledge, or assignment with respect to any insurance contract purchased under the Plan, will be treated as a loan.
- (m) *Other Terms and Conditions.* The Employer shall fix such other terms and conditions of the loan as it deems necessary to comply with legal requirements, to maintain the eligibility of the Plan and Trust under Section 457 of the Code, or to prevent the treatment of the loan for tax purposes as a distribution to the Participant. The Employer, in its discretion for any reason, may also fix other terms and conditions of the loan, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Article, including:
 - (1) the circumstances under which a loan becomes immediately due and payable, provided, however, with respect loans issued after December 31, 2012, that the loan program shall not provide that a loan becomes due and payable solely because the Participant requests or receives a partial distribution of the Participant's account balance after termination of employment;
 - (2) rules relating to reamortization of loans; and
 - (3) rules relating to refinance of loans.

8.03 Participant Loan Accounts.

- (a) Upon approval of a loan to a Participant by the Employer, an amount not in excess of the loan shall be transferred from the Participant's other investment fund(s), described in Section 6.05 of the Plan, to the Participant's loan account as of the Accounting Date immediately preceding the agreed upon date on which the loan is to be made.
- (b) The assets of a Participant's loan account may be invested and reinvested only in promissory notes received by the Plan from the Participant as consideration for a loan permitted by Section 8.01 of the Plan or in cash. Uninvested cash balances in a Participant's loan account shall not bear interest. Neither the Employer, the Administrator, nor any other person shall be liable for any loss, or by reason of any breach, that results from the Participant's exercise of such control.
- (c) Repayment of principal and payment of interest shall be made by payroll deduction or, Automated Clearing House (ACH) transfer, or with respect to a terminated Employee solely by ACH, and shall be invested in one (1) or more other investment funds, in accordance with Section 6.05 of the Plan, as of the next Accounting Date after payment thereof to the Trust. The amount so invested shall be deducted from the Participant's loan account. A payment intended to be a prepayment or payment of the loan in full may also be made by cashier's check or money order, and shall be invested in accordance with this provision.
- (d) The Employer shall have the authority to establish other reasonable rules, not inconsistent with the

provisions of the Plan, governing the establishment and maintenance of Participant loan accounts.

Article IX. Roth Provisions

This Article IX has no effect unless and until the Employer affirmatively elects to offer Designated Roth Accounts.

9.01 Definitions. The following definitions shall apply for purposes of this Article IX.

- (a) *Designated Roth Account.* A bookkeeping account established and maintained to record the Participant's Roth Elective Deferrals, In-Plan Roth Conversions, rollovers from designated Roth account under other eligible retirement plans, and the income gains and losses thereon. Unless specifically stated otherwise, all references in the Plan to a Participant's Account shall include a Participant's Designated Roth Account.
- (b) *In-Plan Roth Conversion.* (1) A distribution from a Participant's Pre-Tax Account that is rolled over to the Participant's Designated Roth Account under the Plan, as described in Code Section 402A(c)(4)(B); or (2) A transfer from an amount in the Participant's Pre-Tax Account not otherwise distributable from the Plan to the Participant's Designated Roth Account under the Plan, as described in Code Section 402A(c)(4)(E), to the extent permitted by Section 9.05(e).
- (c) *Pre-Tax Account.* A bookkeeping account established and maintained to record the portion of the Participant's Account attributable to amounts other than Roth Elective Deferrals, In-Plan Roth Conversions, rollovers from designated Roth accounts under other eligible retirement plans, and the income gains and losses thereon. Unless specifically stated otherwise, all references in the Plan to a Participant's Account shall include a Participant's Pre-Tax Account.
- (d) *Qualified Roth Contribution Program.* A program described in paragraph (1) of Code Section 402A(b), under which a Participant may make Roth Elective Deferrals in lieu of all or a portion of the elective deferrals the Participant is otherwise eligible to make under the Plan.
- (e) *Roth Elective Deferrals.* Deferred Includible Compensation contributed pursuant to Section 9.02 by a Participant, which amounts are:
 - (1) designated irrevocably by the Participant at the time of the deferral election as a Roth elective deferral that is being made in lieu of all or a portion of the pre-tax deferrals the Participant is otherwise eligible to make under the Plan; and
 - (2) treated by the Employer as includible in the Participant's income at the time the Participant otherwise would have received that amount as Includible Compensation.

9.02 Permitted Roth Elective Deferrals

- (a) If the Employer elects to offer Designated Roth Accounts, as of the effective date of such election, a Participant shall be permitted to make Roth Elective Deferrals from his or her Includible Compensation in such amount or percentage as may be specified in the Joinder Agreement. A Participant's Roth Elective Deferrals will be allocated to a separate Designated Roth Account maintained for such deferrals as defined in Section 9.01(a) above.
- (b) Unless specifically stated otherwise, Roth Elective Deferrals will be treated as Deferred Compensation for all purposes under the Plan.

9.03 Separate Accounting

- (a) Contributions and withdrawals of Roth Elective Deferrals, In-Plan Roth Conversions and rollovers from a designated Roth account under an eligible retirement plan will be credited and debited to a Participant's Designated Roth Account.
- (b) The Plan will maintain a record of the amount of Roth Elective Deferrals, In-Plan Roth Conversions, and rollovers from a designated Roth account under an eligible retirement plan in each Participant's Designated Roth Account.
- (c) Gains, losses, and other credits or charges must be separately allocated on a reasonable and consistent basis to each Participant's Designated Roth Account and Pre-Tax Account under the Plan.
- (d) No contributions other than Roth Elective Deferrals, In-Plan Roth Conversions, and rollovers from a designated Roth account under an eligible retirement plan and properly attributable earnings thereon will be credited to each Participant's Designated Roth Account.

9.04 Direct Rollovers

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Plan, a direct rollover of a distribution from a Designated Roth Account under the Plan shall be made only to another designated Roth account under an eligible retirement plan described in Section 402A(e)(1) of the Code or to a Roth IRA described in Section 408A of the Code, and only to the extent the rollover is permitted under the rules of Section 402(c) of the Code.
- (b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Plan, unless otherwise elected by the Employer, the Plan will accept a rollover contribution to a Designated Roth Account only if it is a direct rollover from another designated Roth account under an eligible retirement plan described in Section 402A(e)(1) of the Code, or if the rollover is an In-Plan Roth Conversion defined in Section 10.05.
- (c) Eligible rollover distributions from a Participant's Designated Roth Account are taken into account in determining whether the total amount of the Participant's Account balances under the Plan exceeds \$1,000 for purposes of mandatory distributions from the Plan.

9.05 In-Plan Roth Conversions. Unless otherwise elected by the Employer, as of the effective date of this Article the Plan shall allow for In-Plan Roth Conversions.

- (a) *Tax Treatment.* The amount of an In-Plan Roth Conversion shall be includible in the Participant's gross income, as though it were not part of a qualified rollover contribution.
- (b) *Irrevocability.* Any election made by the Participant pursuant to Section 9.05(a) to do an In-Plan Roth Conversion shall be irrevocable.
- (c) *Treatment of Loans.* Outstanding plan loans shall be excluded from In-Plan Roth Conversions. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, an In-Plan Roth Conversion shall not accelerate or otherwise cause a Participant to default on an outstanding plan loan.
- (d) *Spousal Consent.* Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if the Plan requires spousal consent for a distribution, a married Participant shall not be required to obtain spousal consent in connection

with an election to make an In-Plan Roth Conversion.

- (e) *In-Plan Roth Conversions of Non-Distributable Amounts.* Effective January 1, 2013, a Participant may transfer, as part of an In-Plan Roth Conversion, an amount that is not otherwise distributable from the Participant's Pre-Tax Account to the Participant's Designated Roth Account. Such transfer shall be treated as a distribution which was contributed in a qualified rollover contribution within the meaning of Code Section 408A(e). Any distribution restrictions that were applicable to the amount before the In-Plan Roth Conversion shall apply to such amount (and earnings and losses thereon) in the Participant's Designated Roth Account. If the Participant's Account or a portion of the Account is subject to a vesting schedule, an In-Plan Roth Conversion is available only if the Account or portion of the Account is fully vested. The Participant may not transfer under this Section 9.05(e) any portion of the Account that is partially vested.

- 9.06 Availability of Loans from Designated Roth Accounts.** A Participant's Designated Roth Account balance can be included to determine a Participant loan amount under Article VIII. However, unless the Employer elects otherwise, Designated Roth Accounts will not be available as a source for loans under the Plan.

Article X. Non-Assignability

- 10.01 General.** Except as provided in Article VIII and Section 10.02, no Participant or Beneficiary shall have any right to commute, sell, assign, pledge, transfer or otherwise convey or encumber the right to receive any payments hereunder, which payments and rights are expressly declared to be non-assignable and non-transferable.

10.02 Domestic Relations Orders.

- (a) *Allowance of Transfers:* To the extent required under a final judgment, decree, or order (including approval of a property settlement agreement) that (1) relates to the provision of child support, alimony payments, or marital property rights and (2) is made pursuant to a state domestic relations law, and (3) is permitted under Sections 414(p)(11) and (12) of the Code, any portion of a Participant's Account may be paid or set aside for payment to a spouse, former spouse, child, or other dependent of the Participant (an "Alternate Payee"). Where necessary to carry out the terms of such an order, a separate Account shall be established with respect to the Alternate Payee who shall be entitled to make investment selections with respect thereto in the same manner as the Participant. Any amount so set aside for an Alternate Payee shall be paid in accordance with the form and timing of payment specified in the order. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to authorize any amount to be distributed under the Plan at a time or in a form that is not permitted under Section 457(b) of the Code and is explicitly permitted under the uniform procedures described in Section 10.02(d) below. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, if a judgment, decree or order (including approval of a property settlement agreement) that relates to the provision of child support, alimony payments, or the marital property rights of a spouse or former spouse, child, or other dependent of a Participant is made pursuant to the domestic relations law of any State, then the amount of the Participant's Account shall be paid in the manner and to the person or persons so directed in the domestic relations order. Such payment shall be made without regard to whether the Participant is eligible for a distribution of benefits under the Plan. The Administrator shall establish reasonable procedures for determining the status of any such decree or order and for effectuating distribution pursuant to the domestic relations order. Any payment made to a person pursuant to this Section shall be reduced by any required income tax withholding. An Account maintained by the Alternate Payee shall otherwise be treated as if it were a Participant Account.

- (b) *Release from Liability to Participant:* The Employer's liability to pay benefits to a Participant shall be reduced to the extent that amounts have been paid or set aside for payment to an Alternate Payee to paragraph (a) of this Section and the Participant and his or her Beneficiaries shall be deemed to have released the Employer and the Plan Administrator from any claim with respect to such amounts.
- (c) *Participation in Legal Proceedings:* The Employer and Administrator shall not be obligated to defend against or set aside any judgment, decree, or order described in paragraph (a) or any legal order relating to the garnishment of a Participant's benefits, unless the full expense of such legal action is borne by the Participant. In the event that the Participant's action (or inaction) nonetheless causes the Employer or Administrator to incur such expense, the amount of the expense may be charged against the Participant's Account and thereby reduce the Employer's obligation to pay benefits to the Participant. In the course of any proceeding relating to divorce, separation, or child support, the Employer and Administrator shall be authorized to disclose information relating to the Participant's Account to the Alternate Payee (including the legal representatives of the Alternate Payee), or to a court.
- (d) *Determination of Validity of Domestic Relations Orders:* The Administrator shall establish uniform procedures for determining the validity of any domestic relations order. The Administrator's determinations under such procedures shall be conclusive and binding on all parties and shall be afforded the maximum amount of deference permitted by law.

10.03 IRS Levy. Notwithstanding Section 10.01, the Administrator may pay from a Participant's or Beneficiary's Account balance the amount that the Administrator finds is lawfully demanded under a levy issued by the Internal Revenue Service with respect to that Participant or Beneficiary or is sought to be collected by the United States Government under a judgment resulting from an unpaid tax assessment against the Participant or Beneficiary.

10.04 Mistaken Contribution. To the extent permitted by applicable law, if any contribution (or any portion of a contribution) is made to the Plan by a good faith mistake of fact, then after the payment of the contribution, and upon receipt in good order of a proper request approved by the Administrator, the amount of the mistaken contribution (adjusted for any income or loss in value, if any, allocable thereto) shall be returned directly to the Participant or, to the extent required or permitted by the Administrator, to the Employer.

10.05 Payments to Minors and Incompetents. If a Participant or Beneficiary entitled to receive any benefits hereunder is a minor or is adjudged to be legally incapable of giving valid receipt and discharge for such benefits, or is deemed so by the Administrator, benefits will be paid to such persons as the Administrator may designate for the benefit of such Participant or Beneficiary. Such payments shall be considered a payment to such Participant or Beneficiary and shall, to the extent made, be deemed a complete discharge of any liability for such payments under the Plan.

10.06 Procedure When Distributee Cannot Be Located. The Administrator shall make all reasonable attempts to determine the identity and address of a Participant or a Participant's Beneficiary entitled to benefits under the Plan. For this purpose, a reasonable attempt means (a) the mailing by certified mail of a notice to the last known address shown on the Employer or Administrator's records, (b) notification sent to the Social Security Administration or the Pension Benefit Guarantee Corporation (under their program to identify payees under retirement plans), and (c) the payee has not responded within six (6) months. If the Administrator is unable to locate such a person entitled to benefits hereunder, or if there has been no claim made for such benefits, the Trust shall continue to hold the benefits due such person to the extent consistent with applicable law.

Article XI. Relationship to Other Plans and Employment Agreements

This Plan serves in addition to any other retirement, pension, or benefit plan or system presently in existence or hereinafter established for the benefit of the Employer's employees, and participation hereunder shall not affect benefits receivable under any such plan or system. Nothing contained in this Plan shall be deemed to constitute an employment contract or agreement between any Participant and the Employer or to give any Participant the right to be retained in the employ of the Employer. Nor shall anything herein be construed to modify the terms of any employment contract or agreement between a Participant and the Employer.

Article XII. Amendment or Termination of Plan

The Employer may at any time amend this Plan provided that it transmits such amendment in writing to the Administrator at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of the amendment. The consent of the Administrator shall not be required in order for such amendment to become effective, but the Administrator shall be under no obligation to continue acting as Administrator hereunder if it disapproves of such amendment.

The Administrator may at any time propose an amendment to the Plan by an instrument in writing transmitted to the Employer. Such amendment shall become effective unless, within the 30-day period beginning on the date the Administrator transmits such amendment, the Employer notifies the Administrator in writing that it disapproves such amendment, in which case such amendment shall not become effective. In the event of such disapproval, the Administrator shall be under no obligation to continue acting as Administrator hereunder.

The Employer may at any time terminate this Plan. In the event of termination, assets of the Plan shall be distributed to Participants and Beneficiaries as soon as administratively practicable following termination of the Plan. Alternatively, assets of the Plan may be transferred to an eligible deferred compensation plan maintained by another eligible governmental employer within the same State if (a) all assets held by the Plan are transferred; (b) the receiving plan provides for the receipt of transfers; (c) the Participants and Beneficiaries whose deferred amounts are being transferred will have an amount immediately after the transfer at least equal to the deferred amount immediately before the transfer; and (d) the Participants or Beneficiaries whose deferred amounts are being transferred are not eligible for additional annual deferrals in the receiving plan unless the Participants or Beneficiaries are performing services for the employer maintaining the receiving plan. In addition, unless otherwise prohibited by applicable law, with respect to Participants or Beneficiaries who cannot be located or who do not elect otherwise, the assets held in the accounts of such Participants or Beneficiaries may be transferred to an individual retirement plan (as defined in Section 7701(a)(37) of the Code) selected by the Employer.

Except as may be required to maintain the status of the Plan as an eligible deferred compensation plan under Section 457(b) of the Code or to comply with other applicable laws, no amendment or termination of the Plan shall divest any Participant of any rights with respect to compensation deferred before the date of the amendment or termination.

Article XIII. Applicable Law

This Plan and Trust shall be construed under the laws of the state where the Employer is located and is established with the intent that it meet the requirements of an "eligible deferred compensation plan" under Section 457(b) of the Code, as amended. The provisions of this Plan and Trust shall be interpreted wherever possible in conformity with the requirements of that Section of the Code.

In addition, notwithstanding any provision of the Plan to the contrary, the Plan shall be administered in compliance with the requirements of Section 414(u) of the Code.

Article XIV. Miscellaneous Items

14.01 Gender and Number. The masculine pronoun, whenever used herein, shall include the feminine pronoun, and the singular shall include the plural, except where the context requires otherwise.

14.02 Electronic Communication and Consent. Unless expressly required otherwise, where this Plan provides that a document, election, notification, direction, signature, or consent will be in writing, such writing may occur through an electronic medium, including but not limited to electronic mail, intranet or internet web posting and online account access, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law.

DECLARATION OF TRUST

This Declaration of Trust (the "Group Trust Agreement") is made as of the 19th day of May, 2001, by Vantage Trust Company, which declares itself to be the sole Trustee of the trust hereby created.

WHEREAS, the ICMA Retirement Trust was created as a vehicle for the commingling of the assets of governmental plans and governmental units described in Section 818(a)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, pursuant to a Declaration of Trust dated October 4, 1982, as subsequently amended, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference as set out below (the "ICMA Declaration"); and

WHEREAS, the trust created hereunder (the "Group Trust") is intended to meet the requirements of Revenue Ruling 81-100, 1981-1 C.B. 326, and is established as a common trust fund within the meaning of Section 391:1 of Title 35 of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, to accept and hold for investment purposes the assets of the Deferred Compensation and Qualified Plans held by and through the ICMA Retirement Trust.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Group Trust is created by the execution of this Declaration of Trust by the Trustee and is established with respect to each Deferred Compensation and Qualified Plan by the transfer to the Trustee of such Plan's assets in the ICMA Retirement Trust, by the Trustees thereof, in accord with the following provisions:

- (a) Incorporation of ICMA Declaration by Reference; ICMA By-Laws. Except as otherwise provided in this Group Trust Agreement, and to the extent not inconsistent herewith, all provisions of the ICMA Declaration are incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof, to be read by substituting the Group Trust for the Retirement Trust and the Trustee for the Board of Trustees referenced therein. In this respect, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, all capitalized terms used herein and defined in the ICMA Declaration have the meanings assigned to them in the ICMA Declaration. In addition, the By-Laws of the ICMA Retirement Trust, as the same may be amended from time-to-time, are adopted as the By-Laws of the Group Trust to the extent not inconsistent with the terms of this Group Trust Agreement.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the terms of the ICMA Declaration and By-Laws are further modified with respect to the Group Trust created hereunder, as follows:

1. any reporting, distribution, or other obligation of the Group Trust vis-à-vis any Deferred Compensation Plan, Qualified Plan, Public Employer, Public Employer Trustee, or Employer Trust shall be deemed satisfied to the extent that such obligation is undertaken by the ICMA Retirement Trust (in which case the obligation of the Group Trust shall run to the ICMA Retirement Trust); and
2. all provisions dealing with the number, qualification, election, term and nomination of Trustees shall not apply, and all other provisions relating to trustees (including, but not limited to,

resignation and removal) shall be interpreted in a manner consistent with the appointment of a single corporate trustee.

- (b) *Compliance with Revenue Procedure 81-100.* The requirements of Revenue Procedure 81-100 are applicable to the Group Trust as follows:
1. Pursuant to the terms of this Group Trust Agreement and Article X of the By-Laws, investment in the Group Trust is limited to assets of Deferred Compensation and Qualified Plans, investing through the ICMA Retirement Trust.
 2. Pursuant to the By-Laws, the Group Trust is adopted as a part of each Qualified Plan that invests herein through the ICMA Retirement Trust.
 3. In accord with the By-Laws, that part of the Group Trust's corpus or income which equitably belongs to any Deferred Compensation and Qualified Plan may not be used for or diverted to any purposes other than for the exclusive benefit of the Plan's employees or their beneficiaries who are entitled to benefits under such Plan.
 4. In accord with the By-Laws, no Deferred Compensation Plan or Qualified Plan may assign any or part of its equity or interest in the Group Trust, and any purported assignment of such equity or interest shall be void.
- (c) *Governing Law.* Except as otherwise required by federal, state or local law, this Declaration of Trust (including the ICMA Declaration to the extent incorporated herein) and the Group Trust created hereunder shall be construed and determined in accordance with applicable laws of the State of New Hampshire.
- (d) *Judicial Proceedings.* The Trustee may at any time initiate an action or proceeding in the appropriate state or federal courts within or outside the state of New Hampshire for the settlement of its accounts or for the determination of any question of construction which may arise or for instructions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Trustee has executed this Declaration of Trust as of the day and year first above written.

VANTAGETRUST COMPANY

Use this form to adopt any of the provisions made available by The Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement Act of 2019 (SECURE 1.0), SECURE 2.0 Act of 2022, and related legislation. If you would like to add these provisions to more than one plan, please complete one form per plan.

I. SECURE 2.0 Provisions

A. ROTH Provisions

While not technically a SECURE 2.0 provision, 401(k), 457(b), and 403(b) plans must adopt the Roth Contribution Provision to continue to permit age-50 catch-up contributions starting in 2024. Roth is not available in 401(a) Profit sharing plans without the 401(k) feature, and is not available in 401(a) Money Purchase plans.

If your plan does not offer Roth Contributions, check here to add this provision:

The plan will permit in-plan Roth Conversions.

Yes No

The Roth account will be an available source for loans.

Yes No

Note: to adopt the Roth features, 401(k) plans will need to also review an Adoption Agreement and 457(b) plans will need to review an Optional Provision Election Form. Our plan design team will reach out to you with prepopulated versions of the applicable materials upon receipt of this form.

B. Eliminate the "first date of the month" rule for 457(b) deferral changes. The plan will permit all deferral initiation and change requests to transpire as soon as administratively feasible, but no later than on the earliest date the deferrals can reasonably be segregated from the employer's general assets, rather than the first pay period of the following month.

Yes No ("No" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.)

II. SECURE 1.0 and Related Legislation Provisions

C. In-Service Distributions at Age 59.5 (Available in 457(b), 403(b), and 401(a) Money Purchase Plans)

The Plan will permit in-service withdrawals at age 59.5 (NOTE: Not applicable to 401(a) Profit Sharing Plans, as this provision is already available in your plan. You can change the in-service distribution age by submitting a revised Adoption Agreement.)

Yes No ("No" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.)

D. Qualified Birth and Adoption (Available in 457(b), 403(b), 401(a) Money Purchase, 401(a) Profit Sharing Plans)

The plan will permit participants to receive, upon written request, a distribution of up to \$5,000 per qualifying birth or adoption (not to exceed \$5,000 across all retirement accounts of the participant. (Note to 401(a) Money Purchase Plan Sponsors: such a withdrawal can only be undertaken if the participant meets the plan's existing in-service withdrawal criteria.)

Such a distribution is exempt from the 10% early distribution tax penalty and is exempt from the mandatory 20% withholding; and can be repaid into the account within 3 years without regard to the usual 60-day time limit for rollovers if elected. A qualified adoption distribution would be limited to the adoption of children who are under age 18 or who are physically or mentally incapable of self-support.

Yes No ("No" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.)

Note: If you elect to offer this provision, your plan may need to offer the ability for participants to roll assets into the plan.

E. MissionSquare Retirement IncomeAdvantage In-Service Distribution (NOTE: only applicable to 457(b), 401(a) Money Purchase, 401(a) Profit Sharing Plans that have the MissionSquare Retirement IncomeAdvantage as an available investment option).

In the event the MissionSquare Retirement IncomeAdvantage Fund is no longer an investment option under the plan, a Participant shall, upon written request, be permitted to roll these assets to another plan. Such a distribution can be undertaken regardless of the participants eligibility pertaining to in-service distributions.

Yes No ("No" is the default provision under the Plan if no selection is made.)

By signing below, we intend to amend the plan to allow these provisions as of the date below or as soon as administratively feasible. Please submit one form per plan number.

Employer Plan Number: 300636 Employer Plan Name: City of Colorado Springs
Signature of Authorized Plan Representative: Kerry Ann George
Print Name: Kerry Ann George Title: Assistant Finance Director Date: 11 / 02 / 2023 (MM/DD/YY)
Email Address: kerry.george@coloradosprings.gov Phone Number: 719-385-5158

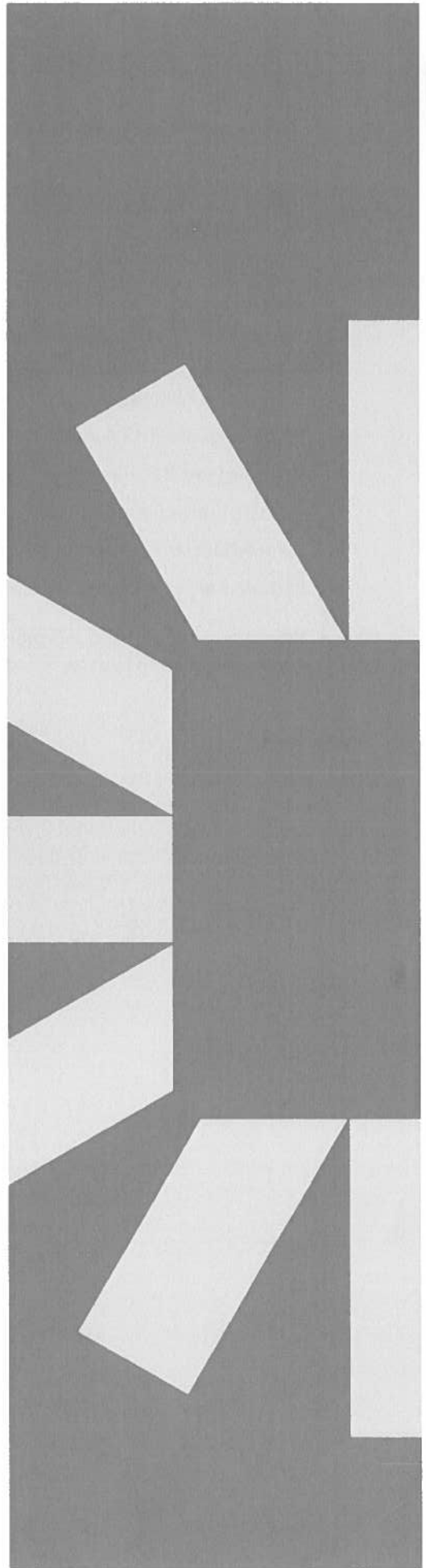
This form can be returned by secure message, fax, or mail using the information below.

<i>Online:</i> Submit through secure messaging to: www.employers.msqplanservices.org	<i>Mail to:</i> MissionSquare Plan Services P.O. Box 219320 Kansas City, MO 64121-9320
<i>Fax to:</i> MissionSquare Plan Services (844) 677-3297	



Retirement Health Savings Program

RETURN BOOK (2 of 2)



MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Plan

This is one of two books containing information to establish your MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings (RHS) Plan. This Return Book contains the documents that must be returned to MissionSquare Retirement to establish a RHS Plan. Should you need additional information on completing the documents, refer to Retain/Instructions Book (1 of 2).

MissionSquare RHS Adoption Documents to return to MissionSquare	Page
▪ Suggested Resolution for Adoption of the MissionSquare RHS Program OR Suggested Affirmative Statement for Adoption of the MissionSquare RHS Program	3
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Please retain a copy of all MissionSquare RHS Adoption Documents for your records, including the documents that are being returned to MissionSquare.

Please Note

The information in this book only takes into account the federal tax rules related to the MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Program. Prior to implementing an RHS Program, the employer is responsible for determining that there are no state or local laws that would prohibit the employer from offering the Program to its employees. The employer must also determine that the options it selects in the *MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Adoption Agreement* comply with state and local requirements. The employer is responsible for determining that the investments selected for the welfare benefits plan utilized by the RHS Program fall within state and local requirements.

Suggested Resolution for Adoption

And

Suggested Affirmative Statement of Adoption

Suggested Resolution for Adoption of the MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings (RHS) Program

Plan Number: 801887

Name of Employer: City of Colorado Springs State: Colorado

Resolution of the above-named Employer (the "Employer"):

WHEREAS, the Employer has employees rendering valuable services; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a retiree health savings program for such employees serves the interests of the Employer by enabling it to provide reasonable security regarding such employees' health needs during retirement, by providing increased flexibility in its personnel management system, and by assisting in the attraction and retention of competent personnel; and

WHEREAS, the Employer has determined that the establishment of the retiree health savings program (the "Program") serves the above objectives;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Employer hereby adopts the MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Program ("Program") through the Employer's integral part trust ("Trust") and the Employer's welfare benefits plan ("Plan").

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the assets of the Plan shall be held in trust, with the following entity or individual serving as trustee (Select one):

the Employer

X the following position within the Employer: _____
(insert title of individual acting as trustee)

the following group or committee within the Employer: _____
(insert group or committee acting as trustee)

the following third-party trustee: _____
(insert name of third-party trustee)

for the exclusive benefit of Plan participants and their survivors, and the assets of the Plan shall not be diverted to any other purpose prior to the satisfaction of all liabilities of the Plan. The Employer has executed the Declaration of Trust of the _____
Integral Part Trust in the form of: (Select one)

The sample trust made available by MissionSquare Retirement

The trust provided by the Employer (executed copy attached hereto)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the _____ shall be the coordinator and contact for the Program and shall receive necessary reports, notices, etc.

I, _____, Clerk of the _____
_____ of _____, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, proposed by _____, was duly passed and adopted in the _____ of the _____ of _____, at a regular meeting thereof assembled this _____ day of _____, 20____, by the following vote:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

(Seal)

Clerk's Signature: _____

Clerk's Title: _____

Suggested Affirmative Statement for Adoption of the MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings (RHS) Program

Plan Number: 801887

Name of Employer: City of Colorado Springs State: Colorado

Affirmative Statement of the above-named Employer (the "Employer"):

WHEREAS, the Employer has employees rendering valuable services; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a retiree health savings program serves the interests of the Employer by enabling it to provide reasonable security regarding such employees' health needs during retirement, by providing increased flexibility in its personnel management system, and by assisting in the attraction and retention of competent personnel; and

WHEREAS, the Employer has determined that the establishment of the retiree health savings program (the "Program") serves the above objectives;

NOW THEREFORE, as a duly authorized agent of the Employer, I hereby:

ESTABLISH the Employer's MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Program through the Employer's integral part trust ("Trust") and the Employer's welfare benefits plan ("Plan"); and

SPECIFY that the assets of the Plan shall be held in trust, with the following entity or individual serving as trustee (Select one):

the Employer

the following position within the Employer: Assistant Finance Director
(insert title of individual acting as trustee)

the following group or committee within the Employer: _____
(insert group or committee acting as trustee)

the following third-party trustee: _____
(insert name of third-party trustee)

for the exclusive benefit of Plan participants and their survivors, and the assets of the Plan shall not be diverted to any other purpose prior to the satisfaction of all liabilities of the Plan. The Employer has executed the Declaration of Trust of the City of Colorado Springs Integral Part Trust in the form of: (Select one)

The sample trust made available by MissionSquare Retirement
The trust provided by the Employer (executed copy attached hereto)

SPECIFY that the Assistant Finance Director shall be the coordinator and contact for the Plan and shall receive necessary reports, notices, etc.

Date: 7/27/2023

Assistant Finance Director
Title of Designated Agent

Kerry Ann George
Signature



MissionSquare RHS Adoption Agreement

MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings (RHS) Adoption Agreement

Plan Number: 801887_____

Select as applicable:

Standalone RHS Integrated RHS Amendment to Existing Plan New Plan

I. **Employer Name:** City of Colorado Springs State: Colorado

II. **The Employer hereby attests that it is a unit of a state or local government or an agency or instrumentality of one or more units of a state or local government.**

III. **Plan Dates:**

A. **Plan Effective Date** January 1, 2023

B. **Plan Year:** Enter the annual accounting period for the RHS program. Calendar Year

IV. **The Employer intends to utilize the Trust to fund only welfare benefits pursuant to the following welfare benefit plan(s) established by the Employer:** City of Colorado Springs

V. **Eligible Groups, Participation and Participant Eligibility Requirements**

A. **Eligible Groups**

The following group or groups of Employees are eligible to participate in the Employer’s welfare benefits plan identified in Section IV. (check all applicable boxes):

- All Employees
- All Full-Time Employees
- Non-Union Employees
- Public Safety Employees - Police
- Public Safety Employees - Firefighters
- General Employees
- Collectively-Bargained Employees (Specify unit(s)) _____
- _____
- Other (specify group(s)) _____
- _____

The Employee group(s) specified must correspond to a group(s) of the same designation that is defined in the statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, personnel manuals or other documents or provisions in effect in the state or locality of the Employer.

B. **Participation**

Mandatory Participation: All Employees in the covered group(s) are required to participate in the Plan and shall receive contributions pursuant to Section VI.

If the Employer’s underlying welfare benefit plan is in whole or part a non-collectively bargained plan that allows reimbursement for medical expenses other than insurance premiums, the nondiscrimination requirements of Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 105(h) will apply. These rules may impose taxation on the benefits received by highly compensated individuals if the Plan discriminates in favor of highly compensated individuals in terms of eligibility or benefits. The Employer should discuss these rules with appropriate counsel.

C. Participant Eligibility Requirements

1. Minimum service: The minimum period of service required for participation is Must be eligible for retirement under a participating City pension plan. (write N/A if no minimum service is required).
2. Minimum age: The minimum age required for eligibility to participate is N/A (write N/A if no minimum age is required).

VI. Contribution Sources and Amounts**A. Definition of Earnings**

The definition of Earnings will apply to all RHS Contribution Features that reference "Earnings," including Direct Employer Contributions (Section VI.B.1.) and Mandatory Employee Compensation Contributions (Section VI.B.2.).

Definition of earnings: Employer provided sick leave balance (valued over \$5,000) at the time of retirement.

B. Direct Employer Contributions and Mandatory Contributions

Contributions for participants include:

1. Direct Employer Contributions

The Employer shall contribute on behalf of each Participant

_____ % of Earnings*

\$_____ each Plan Year

A discretionary amount to be determined each Plan Year

x Other (describe): Employee's sick leave balance up to 720 hours (1008 for sworn Fire) at the time of retirement.

2. Mandatory Employee Compensation Contributions

The Employer will make mandatory contributions of Employee compensation as follows:

Reduction in Salary – _____ % of Earnings or \$_____ will be contributed for the Plan Year.

Decreased Merit or Pay Plan Adjustment – All or a portion of the Employees' annual merit or pay plan adjustment will be contributed as follows:

An Employee shall not have the right to discontinue or vary the rate of mandatory contributions of employee compensation.

3. Mandatory Employee Leave Contributions

The Employer will make mandatory contributions of accrued leave as follows (provide formula for determining mandatory employee leave contributions):

x Accrued Sick Leave Balance up to 720 hours (1008 for sworn Fire) at time of retirement if value exceeds \$5,000

Accrued Vacation Leave _____

Other (specify type of leave) Accrued Leave _____

An Employee shall not have the right to discontinue or vary the rate of mandatory leave contributions.

* Non-collectively bargained plans that reimburse medical expenses other than insurance premiums should consult their benefits counsel regarding welfare plan nondiscrimination rules if the employer elects to make contributions based on a percentage of earnings.

C. Limits on Total Contributions (check one box)

The total contribution by the Employer on behalf of each Participant (including direct employer and mandatory employee contributions) for each Plan Year shall not exceed the following limit(s) below. Limits on individual contribution types are defined within the appropriate section above.

There is no Plan-defined limit on the percentage or dollar amount of earnings that may be contributed.

_____ % of earnings

Definition of earnings: Same as Section VI.A. Other

\$_____ for the Plan Year.

VII. Vesting for Direct Employer Contributions

A. Vesting Schedule (check one box)

The account is 100% vested at all times.

The vesting schedule below shall apply to direct employer contributions as outlined in Section VI.B.1.

Vesting schedules beyond 10 years are not supported. For vesting schedules that are not supported, it is the employer's responsibility to maintain and provide the vested percentage of eligible employees upon benefit eligibility.

Years of Service Completed	Vesting Percentage
_____	_____ %
_____	_____ %
_____	_____ %
_____	_____ %
_____	_____ %
_____	_____ %
_____	_____ %
_____	_____ %
_____	_____ %
_____	_____ %

B. The account will become 100% vested upon the death, disability, retirement*, or attainment of benefit eligibility (as outlined in Section IX) by a Participant.

* Definition of retirement includes a separation from service component and is further defined by (check one):

The primary retirement plan of the Employer

Separation from service

Normal Retirement Age (NRA) defined at age _____

Retirement plus years of service - NRA defined by employer at age ____ and _____ years of service

Other _____

For vesting purpose, you must define "retirement" and enter the age and optionally a service period associated with the NRA so that assets are vested 100% for a participant. If NRA is left blank, it will default to age 62.

C. Any period of service by a Participant prior to a rehire of the Participant by the Employer shall not count toward the vesting schedule outlined in A above.

VIII. Forfeiture Provisions

If a Participant separates from service prior to full vesting, non-vested funds in the Participant's account shall be forfeited in accordance with the box checked under this section.

Upon the death of a Participant, surviving spouse, and all surviving eligible dependents (as outlined in Section XI), funds remaining in the Participant's account shall revert to the Trust in accordance with the box checked under this section.

If a Participant permanently opts out and waives future reimbursements, as allowed under IRS Notice 2013-54, all funds in the Participant's account at the time of waiver shall be forfeited in accordance with the box checked under this section.*

Remain in the Trust to be reallocated among all Plan Participants with a balance as Direct Employer Contributions for the next and succeeding contribution cycle(s).**

Remain in the Trust to be reallocated on an equal dollar basis among all Plan Participants with a balance.**

Remain in the Trust to be reallocated among all Plan Participants based upon Participant account balances.**

* If the Employer's RHS Program does not limit eligibility to Participants who have separated from service, the Employer will be required to provide further direction to MissionSquare regarding the treatment of possible contributions that are required to be made following the Participant's waiver.

** If the forfeited balance is small whereby the reallocation amount to each Plan Participant with a balance is minimal, the assets will revert to Employer's forfeiture account for further direction from the Employer. If there are Participants without a balance who should receive forfeiture assets, please provide alternative instructions to MissionSquare on the forfeiture reallocation notice.

IX. Eligibility Requirements to Receive Medical Benefit Payments from the MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Program**A. A Participant is eligible to receive benefits:**

- At retirement only (also complete Section B.)

Definition of retirement:

- Same as Section VII.B.

Other _____

At separation from service with the following restrictions

No restrictions

Other _____

B. Termination prior to general benefit eligibility: In a case where the general benefit eligibility as outlined in Section IX.A includes a retirement component, a Participant who separates from service of the Employer prior to retirement will be eligible to receive benefits:

Immediately upon separation from service

- Other If Separation is reclassified as a retirement at a later date

C. A Participant who becomes totally and permanently disabled

As defined by the Social Security Administration

- As defined by the Employer's primary retirement plan

Other _____

will become immediately eligible to receive medical benefit payments from his/her account under the Employer's welfare benefits plan.

D. Upon the death of the Participant, benefits shall become payable as outlined in Section XI.

X. Permissible Medical Benefit Payments

Select one option.

Benefits eligible for reimbursement under the plan are as allowed under IRC Section 213 other than direct long-term care expenses.

Option 1: **All Medical Benefits***

× Option 2: **Insurance Premiums Only**

Option 3: **Select Expenses*** you wish to cover under the Employer's welfare benefits plan:

Medical Insurance Premiums

Medical Out-of-Pocket Expenses

Medicare Part B Insurance Premiums

Medicare Part D Insurance Premiums

Medicare Supplemental Insurance Premiums

Prescription Drug Insurance Premiums

COBRA Insurance Premiums

Dental Insurance Premiums

Dental Out-of-Pocket Expenses

Vision Insurance Premiums

Vision Out-of-Pocket Expenses

Qualified Long-Term Care Insurance Premiums

Non-Prescription medications allowed under IRS guidance

Other qualifying medical expenses (describe) _____

* Non-collectively bargained plans that reimburse medical expenses other than insurance premiums should consult their benefits counsel regarding welfare plan nondiscrimination rules if the employer elects to make contributions based on a percentage of earnings.

XI. Benefits After the Death of the Participant

In the event of a Participant's death, the following shall apply:

A. Surviving Spouse and/or Surviving Dependents

Upon the death of a Participant, the surviving spouse and/or surviving eligible dependents (as defined in Section XII.D.) of the deceased Participant are immediately eligible to maintain the Participant's RHS account and utilize the remaining balance to fund eligible medical benefits specified in Section X above. The account balance may be reallocated* by the surviving spouse or dependents.

* Before investing, please read the applicable fund disclosure materials carefully for a complete summary of all fees, expenses, investment objectives and strategies, and risks. This information is available when you log in at www.icmarc.org/login, or upon request by calling (800) 326-7272.

If a Participant's account balance has not been fully utilized upon the death of the eligible spouse, the account balance may continue to be utilized to pay benefits of eligible dependents. Upon the death of all eligible dependents, the account will revert in accordance with the Employer's election under Section VIII of the *MissionSquare RHS Adoption Agreement*.

B. No Surviving Spouse or Surviving Dependents

If there are no living spouse or dependents at the time of death of the Participant, the account will revert in accordance with the Employer's election under Section VIII of the *MissionSquare RHS Adoption Agreement*.

XII. The Plan Will Operate According to the Following Provisions:**A. Employer Responsibilities**

1. The Employer will submit all MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Plan enrollment and contribution data via electronic submission.
 2. The Employer will submit all MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Plan Participant status updates or personal information updates via electronic submission. This includes but is not limited to termination notification, benefit eligibility, and vesting notification.
- B.** Participant account administration and asset-based fees will be paid through the redemption of Participant account shares, unless agreed upon otherwise in the Administrative Services Agreement.
- C.** Assignment of benefits is not permitted. Benefits will be paid only to the Participant, his/her survivors, the Employer, or an insurance provider (as allowed by the claims administrator). Payments to a third-party payee (e.g., medical service provider) are not permitted with the exception of reimbursement to the Employer or insurance provider (as allowed by the claims administrator).
- D.** An eligible dependent is (a) the Participant's lawful spouse, (b) the Participant's child under the age of 27, as defined by IRC Section 152(f)(1) and Internal Revenue Service Notice 2010-38, or (c) any other individual who is a person described in IRC Section 152(a), as clarified by Internal Revenue Service Notice 2004-79.
- E.** The Employer will be responsible for withholding, reporting and remitting any applicable taxes for payments which are deemed to be discriminatory under IRC Section 105(h), as outlined in the *MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Employer Manual*.

XIII. Employer Acknowledgements

- A. The Employer hereby acknowledges it understands that failure to properly fill out this *MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Adoption Agreement* may result in the loss of tax exemption of the Trust and/or loss of tax-deferred status for Employer contributions.
- B. Check this box if you are including supporting documents that include plan provisions.

Employer Signature

By: Kerry Ann George
Title: Assistant Finance Director
Attest: Kimberly McKee
Title: Assistant HR Director

Date: 7/28/2023

Date: 7/28/23

VantageTrust II Participation Agreement

VantageTrust II Multiple Collective Investment Funds Trust Participation Agreement

This Participation Agreement is by and between VantageTrust Company, LLC ("Trust Company"), the trustee of the VantageTrust II Multiple Collective Investment Funds Trust (the "Trust"), and the employer executing this Participation Agreement ("Employer") on behalf of the retirement plan(s) or retirement trust(s) identified on the signature page and is effective as of the date of the authorized signature at the end of this Agreement (the "Retirement Trust").

RECITALS

1. The Trust Company maintains the Trust (including each separate investment fund established as a "Fund") under the Declaration of Trust dated January 1, 2015, and all other attachments thereto, as amended and in effect from time to time (the "Declaration of Trust"), as a medium for the collective investment and reinvestment of assets of certain tax-exempt, governmental pension and profit-sharing plans, and retiree welfare plans within the meaning of section 401(a)(24) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and related trusts, and other eligible investors that become Participating Trusts under the Declaration of Trust (defined as "Eligible Trust" in the Declaration of Trust).
2. The Retirement Trust desires to become a Participating Trust as defined in the Declaration of Trust.

DEFINITIONS

1. Unless otherwise specified herein, any capitalized word or phrase shall have the meaning as set forth in the Declaration of Trust.

AGREEMENT

In consideration of the foregoing and the promises set forth below, the parties agree to the following:

1. **Appointment and Acceptance.** The Employer hereby acknowledges that the Trust Company has appointed MissionSquare Retirement, or its wholly owned subsidiary, MissionSquare Investments, investment advisors registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as an investment advisor, pursuant to the terms of the Declaration of Trust to provide advice and recommendations to the Trust Company in the management of the Funds. The Employer acknowledges that the Trust Company has appointed MissionSquare Retirement to perform various administrative functions of the Funds. The Employer further acknowledges and accepts that the Trust Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of MissionSquare Retirement.
2. **Adoption of Trust.** The Retirement Trust's participation in each Fund will at all times be subject to the terms of the Declaration of Trust, which is hereby adopted as a part of the Retirement Trust and this Participation Agreement. The Retirement Trust's participation in each Fund will also be subject to the terms of the Declaration of Trust.
3. **Acceptance of Plan.** The Trust Company accepts the Retirement Trust (including each plan forming a part thereof) as a Participating Trust as of the date specified on the execution page of this Participation Agreement.

4. **Notice of Disqualification.** In the event that the Retirement Trust ceases to be an Eligible Trust as defined in the Declaration of Trust, then, in the case of any such event, the Employer shall deliver to the Trust Company a written notice of its ceasing to be an Eligible Trust within fifteen (17) calendar days of receipt of any notice, execution of any amendment, receipt of any letter or determination of such cessation. Upon the Trust Company's receipt of such information, in writing or otherwise, the Retirement Trust's Units shall be redeemed in accordance with the provisions of the Declaration of Trust.
5. **Term and Termination.** This Agreement shall be in effect from the day specified at the end of this Agreement until termination by Employer or Trust Company upon ninety (90) days prior written notice.
6. **Termination Restriction.** Employer acknowledges and agrees that, consistent with the terms applicable to the MissionSquare PLUS Fund as outlined in the Disclosure Memorandum, MissionSquare Investments retains full discretion to defer Employer-initiated withdrawals from the MissionSquare PLUS Fund for a period of not more than 12 months following notice of termination of this Agreement.

WARRANTIES, REPRESENTATIONS AND COVENANTS OF EMPLOYER AND ELIGIBLE TRUST

1. Employer and Retirement Trust represent and warrant as follows:
 - A. The Retirement Trust meets the definition of an "Eligible Trust" under the Declaration of Trust. This means the Retirement Trust is any of the following:
 - i. a retirement, pension, profit-sharing, stock bonus, or other employee benefit trust that is exempt from Federal income taxation under Section 501(a) of the Code by reason of qualifying under Section 401(a) of the Code; or
 - ii. an eligible governmental plan trust or custodial account under Section 457(b) of the Code that is exempt under Section 457(g) of the Code; or
 - iii. Section 401(a)(24) governmental plans; or
 - iv. any common, collective, or commingled trust fund the assets of which consist solely of assets of eligible investors in a group trust under Revenue Ruling 81-100; or
 - v. an insurance company separate account (i) the assets of which consist solely of assets of eligible investors in a group trust under Revenue Ruling 81-100, (ii) with respect to which the insurance company maintaining the separate account has entered into a written arrangement with the Trust Company consistent with the requirements of Revenue Ruling 2011-1, and (iii) the assets of which are insulated from the claims of the insurance company's general creditors; or
 - vi. any other plan, trust, or other entity that is an eligible investor in a group trust under Revenue Ruling 81-100.
 - B. The Retirement Trust is established, maintained and administered under one or more documents that authorize part or all of the assets of the Retirement Trust to be transferred to,

- and commingled for investment purposes in, a Trust that meets the requirements of Revenue Ruling 81-100, as amended or clarified from time to time;
- C. The Declaration of Trust (including each Fund thereunder) is adopted as part of the Retirement Trust;
 - D. Authorization or license from any foreign, federal, state or local regulatory authority or agency required on the part of the Employer or the Retirement Trust has been obtained and any necessary filing with any of the foregoing has been duly made;
 - E. Employer will not transmit, or cause to be transmitted, any order for purchase or redemption of units of the MissionSquare PLUS Fund that are not based on instructions communicated in proper form by Retirement Plan participants; and
 - F. Employer will not use the MissionSquare PLUS Fund as a temporary holding account, default investment, or investment account for employer level accounts including revenue sharing accounts or any other non-participant account. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Employer can use the MissionSquare PLUS Fund in a forfeiture account.
2. Employer hereby represents and acknowledges the following:
- A. It has the requisite authority to enter into this Participation Agreement on behalf of the Retirement Trust, to authorize investments under the provisions of the documents of the Retirement Trust and to make, on behalf of the Retirement Trust, any and all certifications, covenants, representations or warranties set forth in this Agreement.
 - B. The Declaration of Trust, any addenda thereto, the Disclosure Memorandum, any applicable Fund Fact Sheets, and any additional materials and information requested by the Employer describing the Trust and its business and operation have been made available to the Employer and have been reviewed by the Employer, and that in making a prudent investment decision with respect to the contribution of assets to Trust in exchange for units and the current or future selection of one or more Funds, the Employer has relied solely upon independent investigations made, directly or indirectly, by it.
 - C. It has been given the opportunity to review with the Trust Company the terms and conditions of this Participation Agreement and the Declaration of Trust, and to obtain additional information to verify the accuracy of the information contained in the aforesaid materials, and such other information as it desires to evaluate its investment in the Trust.
 - D. The Units of the Fund(s) have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, or the applicable securities laws of any states or other jurisdictions.
 - E. Neither the Trust nor any Fund is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 and investors are not entitled to the protections of that Act.
 - F. The Units of the Fund(s) are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other type of deposit insurance coverage.
3. Employer agrees promptly to notify the Trust Company in the event that any of the representations set forth above or any information provided pursuant to the provisions hereof ceases to be accurate during the term of this Participation Agreement. Until such notice is given

to the Trust Company, the Trust Company may rely on the representations contained in, and all other information provided pursuant to or as contemplated by, this Participation Agreement in connection with all matters related to the Funds and the Trust.

4. Upon reasonable request by the Trust Company, Employer agrees to provide the Trust Company with a list of all Employer affiliates that provide financial services to Employer, including any broker-dealer.
5. Employer acknowledges that the Trust may invest in a range of securities, whether directly or indirectly through another pooled investment vehicle. Employer acknowledges and agrees that it is solely responsible for determining that the Retirement Trust's investment in the Trust will not contravene any provision of existing law or regulations applicable to the Retirement Trust, or of the organizational or governing documents of the Retirement Trust.

FEES AND EXPENSES

1. Fees and expenses incurred with respect to the Trust, including compensation of the Trustee, shall be paid in accordance with the Declaration of Trust.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. **Consent to Electronic Delivery.** By submitting an email address on the signature page of this Agreement, the Employer hereby authorizes, and agrees to the use of electronic mail or web-based availability to deliver all documents required to be delivered by, or on behalf of, the Fund to the Employer under applicable law or regulation and pursuant to the Declaration of Trust, such delivery or notice of web-based availability to be sent to the email address listed on the signature page of this Agreement, unless Employer otherwise notifies Trust Company in writing. The Employer may elect not to receive such documents by electronic means by submitting a written request to Trust Company.
2. **Construction.** This Participation Agreement shall be deemed to be executed and delivered in the District of Columbia, and, except to the extent superseded by federal laws, all laws or rules of construction of the District of Columbia shall govern the rights of the parties hereto and the interpretation of provisions of this Participation Agreement.
3. **Counterparts.** This Participation Agreement may be executed in any number of separate counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but the several counterparts shall together constitute one and the same Participation Agreement of the parties hereto.
4. **Amendments.** This Participation Agreement shall be automatically amended by any amendment to the Declaration of Trust, and all such amendments shall be automatically incorporated by reference herein, and any provisions of this Participation Agreement inconsistent with the terms of such amendment shall be null and void on and after the effective date of such amendment.
5. **Agreement Conflicts.** In the event that any terms of this Participation Agreement conflict with or are in addition to the terms of any Administrative Services Agreement ("ASA") between the parties, the terms of this Participation Agreement and the Declaration of Trust shall prevail. In the event that the terms of this Participation Agreement conflict with the terms of the Declaration of Trust, the terms of the Declaration of Trust shall prevail.

6. **Prohibited Transactions.** If the Trust Company determines that the Retirement Trust's involvement with certain assets, liabilities or transactions will result, or has resulted, in the Trust engaging in a transaction that is prohibited by the Internal Revenue Code, Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), Securities Act of 1933, Investment Company Act of 1940 or other applicable law, the Trust Company, in its sole discretion, may take action to correct such prohibited transaction, or may treat the Retirement Trust as having withdrawn from participation and shall redeem the Retirement Trust's Units, all in accordance with the Declaration of Trust.
7. **Severability.** Each clause or term of this Participation Agreement is severable from the entire Participation Agreement, and if any clause or term is declared invalid, the remaining clauses or terms shall remain in effect.
8. **Notice.** All notices under this Participation Agreement must be sent in writing to the below address:

VantageTrust Company, LLC
c/o MissionSquare Retirement
Attn: Legal Department
777 North Capitol Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002

9. **Electronic Signatures.** The parties agree that this document may be electronically signed and that any electronic signatures appearing on this document are the same as handwritten signatures for the purposes of validity, enforceability, and admissibility.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date specified below.

VantageTrust II Multiple Collective Investment Funds Trust

By: VantageTrust Company, LLC, as Trustee,



By: Erica McFarquhar
Assistant Secretary

Plan/Retirement Trust:

City of Colorado Springs 801887

Plan/Retirement Trust Name Plan Number

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By: City of Colorado Springs
Name of Employer or Fiduciary Customer Number

By: Kerry Ann George 7/27/2023
Authorized Officer Signature Date

Kerry George - Assistant Finance Director

Printed Name and Title

30 S Nevada Avenue, Suite 205

Address Line 1

PO Box 1575, Mail Code 255,

Colorado Springs, CO 80901-1575

Address Line 2

(719) 385-5158

Telephone Number

Declaration of Trust of the

City of Colorado Springs

Name of Employer

Integral Part Trust

**Declaration of Trust of the
City of Colorado Springs**

(Name of Employer)

Integral Part Trust

Declaration of Trust made as of the 1 day of January, 2023, by and between
the (Name of Employer) City of Colorado Springs, (State) Colorado

a (Type of Entity) Government Agency

(hereinafter referred to as the "Employer") and (Name or Title of Trustee) City of Colorado Springs

or its designee (hereinafter referred to as the "Trustee").

Recitals

WHEREAS, the Employer is a political subdivision of the State of (state) Colorado exempt from federal income tax under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; and

WHEREAS, the Employer provides for the security and welfare of its eligible employees (hereinafter referred to as "Participants"), their Spouses and Dependents by the maintenance of one or more post-retirement welfare benefit plans, programs or arrangements which provide for life, sickness, medical, disability, severance and other similar benefits through insurance and self-funded reimbursement plans (collectively the "Plan"); and

WHEREAS, it is an essential function and integral part of the exempt activities of the Employer to assist Participants, their Spouses and Dependents by making contributions to and accumulating assets in the trust, a segregated fund, for post- retirement welfare benefits under the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the authority to conduct the general operation and administration of the Plan is vested in the Employer or its designee, who has the authority and shall be subject to the duties with respect to the trust specified in this sample Declaration of Trust; and

WHEREAS, the Employer wishes to establish this trust to hold assets and income of the Plan for the exclusive benefit of Plan Participants, their Spouses and Dependents;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto do hereby establish this trust, by executing the sample

Declaration of Trust of the (Name of Employer) City of Colorado

Integral Part Trust (hereinafter referred to as the "Trust"), and agree that the following constitute the sample Declaration of Trust (hereinafter referred to as the "Declaration"):

Article I

Definitions

- 1.1 Definitions. For the purposes of this Declaration, the following terms shall have the respective meanings set forth below unless otherwise expressly provided.
- (a) **"Account"** means the individual recordkeeping account maintained under the Plan to record the interest of a Participant in the Plan in accordance with Section 7.3.
 - (b) **"Administrator"** means the Employer or the entity designated by the Employer to carry out administrative services as are necessary to implement the Plan.
 - (c) **"Beneficiary"** means the Spouse and Dependents, who will receive any benefits payable hereunder in the event of the Participant's death. In the case where there is no Spouse or Dependents, any amount of contributions, plus accrued earnings thereon, remaining in the Account must revert in accordance with the Employer's election under Section VIII of the MissionSquare RHS Adoption Agreement.
 - (d) **"Code"** means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time.
 - (e) **"Dependent"** means (a) the Participant's lawful spouse, (b) the Participant's child under the age of 27, as defined by IRC Section 152(f)(1) and Internal Revenue Service Notice 2010-38, or (c) any other individual who is a person described in IRC Section 152(a), as clarified by Internal Revenue Service Notice 2004-79.
 - (f) **"Investment Fund"** means any separate investment option or vehicle selected by the Employer in which all or a portion of the Trust assets may be separately invested as herein provided. The Trustee shall not be required to select any Investment Fund.
 - (g) **"Nonforfeitable Interest"** means the interest of the Participant or the Participant's Spouse and Dependent (whichever is applicable) in the percentage of Participant's Employer's contribution which has vested pursuant to the vesting schedule specified in the Employer's Plan. A Participant shall, at all times, have a one hundred percent (100%) Nonforfeitable Interest in the Participant's own contributions.
 - (h) **"Spouse"** means the Participant's lawful spouse as determined under the laws of the jurisdiction in which the Participant was married.
 - (i) **"Trust"** means the trust established by this Declaration.
 - (j) **"Trustee"** means the Employer or the person or persons appointed by the Employer to serve in that capacity.

Article II

Establishment of Trust

- 2.1 The Trust is hereby established as of the date set forth above for the exclusive benefit of Participants, their Spouses and Dependents.

Article III

Construction

- 3.1 This Trust and its validity, construction and effect shall be governed by the laws of the State of Colorado
- 3.2 Pronouns and other similar words used herein in the masculine gender shall be read as the feminine gender where appropriate, and the singular form of words shall be read as the plural where appropriate.
- 3.3 If any provision of this Trust shall be held illegal or invalid for any reason, such determination shall not affect the remaining provisions, and such provisions shall be construed to effectuate the purpose of this Trust.

Article IV

Benefits

- 4.1 **Benefits.** This Trust may provide benefits to the Participant, the Participant's Spouse and Dependents pursuant to the terms of the Plan.
- 4.2 **Form of Benefits.** This Trust may reimburse the Participant, his Spouse and Dependents for insurance premiums or other payments expended for permissible benefits described under the Plan. This Trust may reimburse the Employer, or the Administrator for insurance premiums.

Article V

General Duties

- 5.1 It shall be the duty of the Trustee to hold title to assets held in respect of the Plan in the Trustee's name as directed by the Employer or its designees in writing. The Trustee shall not be under any duty to compute the amount of contributions to be paid by the Employer or to take any steps to collect such amounts as may be due to be held in trust under the Plan. The Trustee shall not be responsible for the custody, investment, safekeeping or disposition of any assets comprising the Trust, to the extent such functions are performed by the Employer or the Administrator, or both.
- 5.2 It shall be the duty of the Employer, subject to the provisions of the Plan, to pay over to the Administrator or other person designated hereunder from time to time the Employer's contributions and Participants' contributions under the Plan and to inform the Trustee in writing as to the identity and value of the assets titled in the Trustee's name hereunder and to keep accurate books and records with respect to the Participants of the Plan.

Article VI

Investments

- 6.1 The Employer may appoint one or more investment managers to manage and control all or part of the assets of the Trust and the Employer shall notify the Trustee in writing of any such appointment.
- 6.2 The Trustee shall not have any discretion or authority with regard to the investment of the Trust and shall act solely as a directed Trustee of the assets of which it holds title. To the extent directed by the Employer (or Participants or their Spouses and Dependents to the extent provided herein)

the Trustee is authorized and empowered with the following powers, rights and duties, each of which the Trustee shall exercise in a nondiscretionary manner:

- (a) To cause stocks, bonds, securities, or other investments to be registered in its name as Trustee or in the name of a nominee, or to take and keep the same unregistered;
 - (b) To employ such agents and legal counsel as it deems advisable or proper in connection with its duties and to pay such agents and legal counsel a reasonable fee. The Trustee shall not be liable for the acts of such agents and counsel or for the acts done in good faith and in reliance upon the advice of such agents and legal counsel, provided it has used reasonable care in selecting such agents and legal counsel;
 - (c) To exercise where applicable and appropriate any rights of ownership in any contracts of insurance in which any part of the Trust may be invested and to pay the premiums thereon; and
 - (d) At the direction of the Employer (or Participants, their Spouses, their Dependents, or the investment manager, as the case may be) to sell, write options on, convey or transfer, invest and reinvest any part thereof in each and every kind of property, whether real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, whether income or non-income producing and wherever situated, including but not limited to, time deposits (including time deposits in the Trustee or its affiliates, or any successor thereto, if the deposits bear a reasonable rate of interest), shares of common and preferred stock, mortgages, bonds, leases, notes, debentures, equipment or collateral trust certificates, rights, warrants, convertible or exchangeable securities and other corporate, individual or government securities or obligations, annuity, retirement or other insurance contracts, mutual funds (including funds for which the Trustee or its affiliates serve as investment advisor, custodian or in a similar or related capacity), or in units of any other common, collective or commingled trust fund.
- 6.3 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the assets of the Plan shall be held by the Trustee as title holder only. Persons holding custody or possession of assets titled to the Trust shall include the Employer, the Administrator, the investment manager, and any agents and subagents, but not the Trustee. The Trustee shall not be responsible or liable for any loss or expense which may arise from or result from compliance with any direction from the Employer, the Administrator, the investment manager, or such agents to take title to any assets nor shall the Trustee be responsible or liable for any loss or expense which may result from the Trustee's refusal or failure to comply with any direction to hold title, except if the same shall involve or result from the Trustee's negligence or intentional misconduct. The Trustee may refuse to comply with any direction from the Employer, the Administrator, the investment manager, or such agents in the event that the Trustee, in its sole and absolute discretion, deems such direction illegal.
- 6.4 The Employer hereby indemnifies and holds the Trustee harmless from any and all actions, claims, demands, liabilities, losses, damages or reasonable expenses of whatsoever kind and nature in connection with or arising out of (i) any action taken or omitted in good faith by the Trustee in accordance with the directions of the Employer or its agents and subagents hereunder, or (ii) any disbursements of any part of the Trust made by the Trustee in accordance with the directions of the Employer, or (iii) any action taken by or omitted in good faith by the Trustee with respect to an investment managed by an investment manager in accordance with any direction of the investment manager or any inaction with respect to any such investment in the absence of directions from the investment manager. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Employer shall have no responsibility to the Trustee under the foregoing indemnification if the Trustee fails negligently, intentionally or recklessly to perform any of the duties undertaken by it under the provisions of this Trust.
- 6.5 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Employer or, if so designated by the Employer, the Administrator and the investment manager or another agent of the Employer, will

be responsible for valuing all assets so acquired for all purposes of the Trust and of holding, investing, trading and disposing of the same. The Employer will indemnify and hold the Trustee harmless against any and all claims, actions, demands, liabilities, losses, damages, or expenses of whatsoever kind and nature, which arise from or are related to any use of such valuation by the Trustee or holding, trading, or disposition of such assets.

- 6.6 The Trustee shall and hereby does indemnify and hold harmless the Employer from any and all actions, claims, demands, liabilities, losses, damages and reasonable expenses of whatsoever kind and nature in connection with or arising out of (a) the Trustee's failure to follow the directions of the Employer, the Administrator, the investment manager, or agents thereof, except as permitted by the last sentence of Section 6.3 above; (b) any disbursements made without the direction of the Employer, the Administrator, the investment manager or agents thereof; and (c) the Trustee's negligence, willful misconduct, or recklessness with respect to the Trustee's duties under this Declaration.

Article VII

Contributions

- 7.1 **Employer Contributions.** The Employer shall contribute to the Trust such amounts as specified in the Plan or by resolution.
- 7.2 **Accrued Leave.** Contributions up to an amount equal to the value of accrued sick leave, vacation leave, or other type of accrued leave, as permitted under the Plan. The Employer's Plan must provide a formula for determining the value of the Participant's contribution of accrued leave. The Employer's Plan must contain a forfeiture provision that will prevent Participants from receiving the accrued leave in cash in lieu of a contribution to the Trust.
- 7.3 **Accounts.** Employer contributions, including mandatory Participant contributions, and contributions of accrued leave, all investment income and realized and unrealized gains and losses, and forfeitures allocable thereto will be deposited into an Account in the name of the Participant for the exclusive benefit of the Participant, his Spouse and Dependents. The assets in each Participant's Account may be invested in Investment Funds as directed by the Participant (or, after the Participant's death, by the Spouse or Dependents) or the Employer, as required under the Plan, from among the Investment Funds selected by the Employer.
- 7.4 **Receipt of Contributions.** The Employer or, if so designated by the Employer, the Administrator or investment manager or another agent of the Employer, shall receive all contributions paid or delivered to it hereunder and shall hold, invest, reinvest and administer such contributions pursuant to this Declaration, without distinction between principal and income. The Trustee shall not be responsible for the calculation or collection of any contribution under the Plan, but shall hold title to property received in respect of the Plan in the Trustee's name as directed by the Employer or its designee pursuant to this Declaration.
- 7.5 No amount in any Account maintained under this Trust shall be subject to transfer, assignment, or alienation, whether voluntary or involuntary, in favor of any creditor, transferee, or assignee of the Employer, the Trustee, any Participant, his Spouse, or Dependent.
- 7.6 Upon the satisfaction of all liabilities under the Plan to provide such benefits, any amount of Employer contributions, plus accrued earnings thereon, remaining in such separate Accounts must, under the terms of the Plan, be returned to the Employer.

Article VIII

Other Plans

If the Employer hereafter adopts one or more other plans providing life, sickness, accident, medical, disability, severance, or other benefits and designates the Trust hereby created as part of such other plan, the Employer or, if so designated by the Employer, the Administrator or an investment manager or another agent of the Employer shall, subject to the terms of this Declaration, accept and hold hereunder contributions to such other plans. In that event (a) the Employer or, if so designated by the Employer, the Administrator or an investment manager or another agent of the Employer, may commingle for investment purposes the contributions received under such other plan or plans with the contributions previously received by the Trust, but the books and records of the Employer or, if so designated by the Employer, the Administrator or an investment manager or another agent of the Employer, shall at all times show the portion of the Trust Fund allocable to each plan; (b) the term "Plan" as used herein shall be deemed to refer separately to each other plan; and (c) the term "Employer" as used herein shall be deemed to refer to the person or group of persons which have been designated by the terms of such other plans as having the authority to control and manage the operation and administration of such other plan.

Article IX

Disbursements and Expenses

- 9.1 The Employer or its designee shall make such payments from the Trust at such time to such persons and in such amounts as shall be authorized by the provisions of the Plan provided, however, that no payment shall be made, either during the existence of or upon the discontinuance of the Plan (subject to Section 7.6), which would cause any part of the Trust to be used for or diverted to purposes other than the exclusive benefit of the Participants, their Spouses and Dependents pursuant to the provisions of the Plan.
- 9.2 All payments of benefits under the Plan shall be made exclusively from the assets of the Accounts of the Participants to whom or to whose Spouse or Dependents such payments are to be made, and no person shall be entitled to look to any other source for such payments.
- 9.3 The Employer, Trustee and Administrator may be reimbursed for expenses reasonably incurred by them in the administration of the Trust. All such expenses, including, without limitation, reasonable fees of accountants and legal counsel to the extent not otherwise reimbursed, shall constitute a charge against and shall be paid from the Trust upon the direction of the Employer.

Article X

Accounting

- 10.1 The Trustee shall not be required to keep accounts of the investments, receipts, disbursements, and other transactions of the Trust, except as necessary to perform its title-holding function hereunder. All accounts, books, and records relating thereto shall be maintained by the Employer or its designee.
- 10.2 As promptly as possible following the close of each year, the Trustee shall file with the Employer a written account setting forth assets titled to the Trust as reported to the Trustee by the Employer or its designee.

Article XI

Miscellaneous Provisions

- 11.1 Neither the Trustee nor any affiliate thereof shall be required to give any bond or to qualify before, be appointed by, or account to any court of law in the exercise of its powers hereunder.
- 11.2 No person transferring title or receiving a transfer of title from the Trustee shall be obligated to look to the propriety of the acts of the Trustee in connection therewith.
- 11.3 The Employer may engage the Trustee as its agent in the performance of any duties required of the Employer under the Plan, but such agency shall not be deemed to increase the responsibility or liability of the Trustee under this Declaration.
- 11.4 The Employer shall have the right at all reasonable times during the term of this Declaration and for three (3) years after the termination of this Declaration to examine, audit, inspect, review, extract information from, and copy all books, records, accounts, and other documents of the Trustee relating to this Declaration and the Trustees' performance hereunder.

Article XII

Amendment and Termination

- 12.1 The Employer reserves the right to alter, amend, or (subject to Section 9.1) terminate this Declaration at any time for any reason without the consent of the Trustee or any other person, provided that no amendment affecting the rights, duties, or responsibilities of the Trustee shall be adopted without the execution of the Trustee to the amendment. Any such amendment shall become effective as of the date provided in the amendment, if requiring the Trustee's execution, or on delivery of the amendment to the Trustee, if the Trustee's execution is not required.
- 12.2 Upon termination of this Declaration and upon the satisfaction of all liabilities under the Plan to provide such benefits, any amount of Employer contributions, plus accrued earnings thereon, remaining in such separate Accounts must, under the terms of the Plan, be returned to the Employer.

Article XIII

Successor Trustees

- 13.1 The Employer reserves the right to discharge the Trustee for any or no reason, at any time by giving ninety (90) days' advance written notice.
- 13.2 The Trustee reserves the right to resign at any time by giving ninety (90) days' advance written notice to the Employer.
- 13.3 In the event of discharge or resignation of the Trustee, the Employer may appoint a successor Trustee who shall succeed to all rights, duties, and responsibilities of the former Trustee under this Declaration, and the terminated Trustee shall be deemed discharged of all duties under this Declaration and responsibilities for the Trust.

Article XIV

Limited Effect of Plan and Trust

Neither the establishment of the Plan and the Trust or any modification thereof, the creation of any fund or account, nor the payment of any benefits, shall be construed as giving to any person covered under the Plan or other person any legal or equitable right against the Trustee, the Administrator, the Employer or any officer or employee thereof, except as may otherwise be expressly provided in the Plan or in this Declaration.

Article XV

Protective Clause

Neither the Administrator, the Employer, nor the Trustee shall be responsible for the validity of any contract of insurance or other arrangement maintained in connection with the Plan, or for the failure on the part of the insurer or provider to make payments provided by such contract, or for the action of any person which may delay payment or render a contract void or unenforceable in whole or in part.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Employer and the Trustee have executed this Declaration by their respective duly authorized officers, as of the date first hereinabove mentioned.

EMPLOYER:

By: Henry Ann George

Title: Assistant Finance Director

TRUSTEE(S):

By: Henry Ann George

Title: Assistant Finance Director

By: Kimberly Metz

Title: Assistant HR Director

By: _____

Title: _____

City of Colorado Springs

Name of Employer

Retiree Welfare Benefits Plan

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City of Colorado Springs

(Name of Employer)

Retiree Welfare Benefits Plan

Article I

Preamble

THIS INSTRUMENT made and published by City of Colorado Springs
(hereinafter called "Employer") on the 1 day of January, 2023,
creates the City of Colorado Springs RHS Retiree Welfare Benefits Plan ("Plan"), as follows:

1.01 Establishment of Plan

The Employer named above hereby establishes a Retiree Welfare Benefits Plan as of the
1 day of January, 2023.

1.02 Purpose of Plan

This Plan has been established to reimburse the eligible Retirees of the Employer for medical and dental expenses incurred by them, their Spouses and Dependents through the Employer's MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings (RHS) Program.

ARTICLE II

Definitions

The following words and phrases as used herein shall have the following meanings, unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context:

- 2.01 "Benefits"** means any amounts paid to a Participant, Spouse or Dependents in the Plan as reimbursement for Eligible Medical and Dental Expenses incurred by the Participant during a Plan Year by him, his Spouse or his Dependents.
- 2.02 "Code"** means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- 2.03 "Dependent"** means any individual who is a dependent of the Participant within the meaning of Code Sec. 152, as amplified by Internal Revenue Service Notice 2004-79, 2004-49 I.R.B.898 and Internal Revenue Service Notice 2010-38.
- 2.04 "Eligible Medical Expenses or Dental Expenses"** means those expenses designated by the Employer as eligible for reimbursement in the MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Adoption Agreement.
- 2.05 "Employer"** means the unit of state or local government creating this Plan, or any affiliate or successor thereof that likewise adopts this Plan.
- 2.06 "Entry Date"** means the first day the Participant meets the eligibility requirements of Article III as of such Date.

- 2.07 "Participant"** means any Retiree who has met the eligibility requirements set forth in Article III.
- 2.08 "Plan Administrator"** means the Employer or other person appointed by the Employer who has the authority and responsibility to manage and direct the operation and administration of the Plan.
- 2.09 "Plan Year"** means the annual accounting period of the Plan, which begins on the 1 day of January, 2023, and ends on the 31 day of December, 2023, with respect to the first Plan Year, and thereafter as long as this Plan remains in effect, the period that begins on January 1, and ends on month/day December 31.
- 2.10 "Retiree"** means any individual who, while in the service of the Employer, was considered to be in a legal employer-employee relationship with the Employer for federal withholding tax purposes, and who was part of the classification of employees designated as covered by the Employer's MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Program.
- 2.11 "Spouse"** means the Participant's lawful spouse as determined under the laws of the jurisdiction in which the Participant was married. All other defined terms in this Plan shall have the meanings specified in the various Articles of the Plan in which they appear.

Article III

Eligibility

Each Retiree who meets the eligibility requirements outlined in the Employer's MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Adoption Agreement shall be eligible to participate in this Plan.

Article IV

Amount of Benefits

4.01 Annual Benefits Provided by the Plan

Each Participant shall be entitled to reimbursement for his documented, Eligible Medical Expenses incurred during the Plan Year in an annual amount not to exceed the participant's account balance under the Plan.

4.02 Cost of Coverage

The expense of providing the benefits set out in Section 4.01 shall be contributed as outlined in the Employer's MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Adoption Agreement.

Article V

Payment of Benefits

5.01 Eligibility for Benefits

- a) Each Participant in the Plan shall be entitled to a benefit hereunder for all Eligible Medical Expenses incurred by the Participant on or after the Entry Date of his or her participation (and after the effective date of the Plan), subject to the limitations contained in this Article V, regardless whether the mental or physical condition for which the Participant makes application for benefits under this Plan was detected, diagnosed, or treated before the Participant became covered by the Plan.

- b) In order to be eligible for benefits, the Participant must separate from service or separate from service and meet the benefit eligibility criteria outlined in the Employer's MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Plan Adoption Agreement.
- c) A Participant who becomes totally and permanently disabled (as defined by the Social Security Administration, by the Employer's primary retirement plan, or otherwise by the Employer) will become immediately eligible to receive medical benefit payments from the Plan. Pursuant to Section 9.02 of this Plan and Section XI of the Employer's MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Adoption Agreement, the surviving Spouse and Dependents shall become immediately eligible to receive or to continue receiving medical benefit payments from the Plan upon the death of the Participant.

5.02 Claims for Benefits

No benefit shall be paid hereunder unless a Participant, his Spouse or Dependent has first submitted a written claim for benefits to the Plan Administrator on a form specified by the Plan Administrator, and pursuant to the procedures set out in Article VI, below. Upon receipt of a properly documented claim, the Plan Administrator shall pay the Participant, his Spouse or Dependent the benefits provided under this Plan as soon as is administratively feasible.

Article VI

Plan Administration

6.01 Allocation of Authority

The Employer shall control and manage the operation and Administration of the Plan. The Employer shall have the exclusive right to interpret the Plan and to decide all matters arising thereunder, including the right to remedy possible ambiguities, inconsistencies, or omissions. All determinations of the Employer with respect to any matter hereunder shall be conclusive and binding on all persons.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Employer shall have the following powers and duties:

- a) To decide on questions concerning the Plan and the eligibility of any Employee to participate in the Plan, in accordance with the provisions of the Plan;
- b) To determine the amount of benefits that shall be payable to any person in accordance with the provisions of the Plan; to inform the Plan Administrator, as appropriate, of the amount of such Benefits; and to provide a full and fair review to any Participant whose claim for benefits has been denied in whole or in part; and
- c) To designate other persons to carry out any duty or power which would otherwise be a fiduciary responsibility of the Plan Administrator, under the terms of the Plan.
- d) To require any person to furnish such reasonable information as it may request for the purpose of the proper administration of the Plan as a condition to receiving any benefits under the Plan;
- e) To make and enforce such rules and regulations and prescribe the use of such forms as he shall deem necessary for the efficient administration of the Plan.

6.02 Provision for Third-Party Plan Service Providers

The Plan Administrator, subject to approval of the Employer, may employ the services of such persons as it may deem necessary or desirable in connection with operation of the Plan. The Plan

Administrator, the Employer (and any person to whom it may delegate any duty or power in connection with the administration of the Plan), and all persons connected therewith may rely upon all tables, valuations, certificates, reports and opinions furnished by any duly appointed actuary, accountant, (including Employees who are actuaries or accountants), consultant, third party administration service provider, legal counsel, or other specialist, and they shall be fully protected in respect to any action taken or permitted in good faith in reliance thereon. All actions so taken or permitted shall be conclusive and binding as to all persons.

6.03 Several Fiduciary Liability

To the extent permitted by law, neither the Plan Administrator nor any other person shall incur any liability for any acts or for failure to act except for his own willful misconduct or willful breach of this Plan.

6.04 Compensation of Plan Administrator

Unless otherwise agreed to by the Employer, the Plan Administrator shall serve without compensation for services rendered in such capacity, but all reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of his duties shall be paid by the Employer.

6.05 Bonding

Unless otherwise determined by the Employer, or unless required by any Federal or State law, the Plan Administrator shall not be required to give any bond or other security in any jurisdiction in connection with the administration of this Plan.

6.06 Payment of Administrative Expenses

All reasonable expenses incurred in administering the Plan, including but not limited to administrative fees and expenses owing to any third party administrative service provider, actuary, consultant, accountant, attorney, specialist, or other person or organization that may be employed by the Plan Administrator in connection with the administration thereof, shall be paid by the Employer, provided, however that each Participant shall bear the monthly cost (if any) charged by a third party administrator for maintenance of his Benefit Account unless otherwise paid by the Employer.

6.07 Timeliness of Payment for Benefits

Payment for Benefits shall be made as soon as administratively feasible after the required forms and documentation have been received by the Plan Administrator.

6.08 Annual Statements

The Plan Administrator shall furnish each Participant with an annual statement of his medical expense reimbursement account within ninety (90) days after the close of each Plan Year.

Article VII

Claims Procedure

7.01 Procedure if Benefits are Denied Under the Plan

Any Participant, Spouse, Dependent, or his duly authorized representative may file a claim for a plan benefit to which the claimant believes that he is entitled. Such a claim must be in writing on a form provided by the Plan Administrator and delivered to the Plan Administrator, in person or by mail, postage paid. Within thirty (30) days after receipt of such claim, the Plan Administrator

shall send to the claimant, by mail, postage prepaid, notice of the granting or denying, in whole or in part, of such claim, unless special circumstances require an extension of time for processing the claim. In no event may the extension exceed forty-five (45) days from the end of the initial period. If such extension is necessary, the claimant will be given a written notice to this effect prior to the expiration of the initial 30-day period. If such extension is necessary due to a failure of the Participant, Spouse or Dependent to submit the information necessary to decide the claim, the notice of extension shall describe the required information and the claimant shall be afforded at least forty-five (45) days from receipt of the notice within which to provide such information. The Plan Administrator shall have full discretion to deny or grant a claim in whole or in part. If notice of the denial of a claim is not furnished in accordance with this Section, the claim shall be deemed denied and the claimant shall be permitted to exercise his right to review pursuant to Sections 7.03 and 7.04.

7.02 Requirement for Written Notice of Claim Denial

The Plan Administrator shall provide, to every claimant who is denied a claim for benefits, written notice setting forth in a manner calculated to be understood by the claimant:

- a) The specific reason or reasons for the denial;
- b) Specific reference to pertinent Plan provisions, including references to the MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Adoption Agreement, on which the denial is based;
- c) A description of any additional material of information necessary for the claimant to perfect the claim and an explanation of why such material is necessary; and
- d) An explanation of the Plan's claim review procedure.

7.03 Right to Request Hearing on Benefit Denial

Within one-hundred eighty (180) days after the receipt by the claimant of written notification of the denial (in whole or in part) of his claim, the claimant or his duly authorized representative, upon written application to the Plan Administrator, in person or by certified mail, postage prepaid, may request a review of such denial, may review pertinent documents, and may submit issues and comments in writing.

7.04 Disposition of Disputed Claims

Upon its receipt of notice of a request for review, the Plan Administrator shall make a prompt decision on the review. The decision on review shall be written in a manner calculated to be understood by the claimant and shall include specific reasons for the decision and specific references to the pertinent plan provisions on which the decision is based. The decision on review shall be made not later than sixty (60) days after the Plan Administrator's receipt of a request for a review, unless special circumstances require an extension of time for processing, in which case a decision shall be rendered not later than one hundred-twenty (120) days after receipt of a request for review. If an extension is necessary, the claimant shall be given written notice of the extension prior to the expiration of the initial sixty (60) day period. If notice of the decision on the review is not furnished in accordance with this Section, the claim shall be deemed denied and the claimant shall be permitted to exercise his right to legal remedy pursuant to Section 7.05.

7.05 Preservation of Other Remedies

After exhaustion of the claims procedures provided under this Plan, nothing shall prevent any person from pursuing any other legal or equitable remedy otherwise available.

Article VIII

Amendment or Termination of Plan

8.01 Permanency

While the Employer fully expects that this Plan will continue indefinitely, due to unforeseen, future business contingencies, permanency of the Plan will be subject to the Employer's right to amend or terminate the Plan, as provided in Sections 8.02 and 8.03, below.

8.02 Employer's Right to Amend

The Employer reserves the right to amend the Plan at any time and from time to time, and retroactively if deemed necessary or appropriate to meet the requirements of the Code, or any similar provisions of subsequent revenue or other laws, or the rules and regulations in effect under any of such laws or to conform with governmental regulations or other policies, to modify or amend in whole or in part any or all of the provisions of the Plan.

8.03 Employer's Right to Terminate

The Employer reserves the right to discontinue or terminate the Plan at any time without prejudice.

Article IX

General Provisions

9.01 No Employment Rights Conferred

Neither this Plan nor any action taken with respect to it shall confer upon any person the right to be continued in the employment of the Employer.

9.02 Payments After Death of Participant

Any benefits otherwise payable to a Participant following the date of death of such Participant shall be paid as outlined in Section XI of the Employer's MissionSquare Retirement Health Savings Plan Adoption Agreement.

9.03 Nonalienation of Benefits

No benefit under the Plan shall be subject in any manner to anticipation, alienation, sale, transfer, assignment, pledge, encumbrance or charge, and any attempt to do so shall be void. No benefit under the Plan shall in any manner be liable for or subject to the debts, contracts, liabilities, engagements or torts of any person. If any person entitled to benefits under the Plan becomes bankrupt or attempts to anticipate, alienate, sell, transfer, assign, pledge, encumber or charge any benefit under the Plan, or if any attempt is made to subject any such benefit to the debts, contracts, liabilities, engagements or torts of the person entitled to any such benefit, except as specifically provided in the Plan, then such benefit shall cease and terminate in the discretion of the Plan Administrator, and he may hold or apply the same or any part thereof to the benefit of any dependent of such person, in such manner and proportion as he may deem proper.

9.04 Mental or Physical Incompetency

If the Plan Administrator determines that any person entitled to payments under the Plan is incompetent by reason of physical or mental disability, the Plan Administrator may cause all payments thereafter becoming due to such person to be made to any other person for the benefit of the Participant, without responsibility to follow the application of amounts so paid. Payments made pursuant to this Section shall completely discharge the Plan Administrator and the Employer.

9.05 Inability to Locate Payee

If the Plan Administrator is unable to make payment to any Participant or other person to whom a payment is due under the Plan because he cannot ascertain the identity or whereabouts of such Participant or other person after reasonable efforts have been made to identify or locate such person (including a notice of the payment so due mailed to the last known address of such Participant or other person as shown on the records of the Employer), such payment and all subsequent payments otherwise due to such Participant or other person shall be escheated under the laws of the State of the last known address of the Participant or other persons eligible for benefits.

9.06 Requirement of Proper Forms

All communications in connection with the Plan made by a Participant shall become effective only when duly executed on forms provided by and filed with the Plan Administrator.

9.07 Source of Payments

The Employer shall be the sole source of benefits under the Plan. No Employee, Spouse or Dependents shall have any right to, or interest in, any assets of the Employer upon termination of employment or otherwise, except as provided from time to time under the Plan, and then only to the extent of the benefits payable under the Plan to such Employee, Spouse or Dependents.

9.08 Tax Effects

Neither the Employer nor the Plan Administrator makes any warranty or other representation as to whether any payments received by a Participant, his Spouse or Dependents hereunder will be treated as includible in gross income for federal or state income tax purposes.

9.09 Multiple Functions

Any person or group of persons may serve in more than one fiduciary capacity with respect to the Plan.

9.10 Gender and Number

Masculine or feminine pronouns include all genders, and the singular shall include the plural, unless indicated otherwise by the context.

9.11 Headings

The Article and Section headings contained herein are for convenience of reference only, and shall not be construed as defining or limiting the matter contained thereunder.

9.12 Applicable Laws

The provisions of the Plan shall be construed, administered and enforced according to the laws of the State of Colorado.

9.13 Severability

Should any part of this Plan subsequently be invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder thereof shall be given effect to the maximum extent possible.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have executed this Plan Agreement the date and year first written above.

EMPLOYER

By: Kerry Ann George Title: Assistant Finance Director
Signature of Authorized Official

ATTEST (if applicable)

By: Kimberly McKee Title: Assistant Director, HR
Signature of Attestor

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EXHIBIT 7 SAMPLE EVALUATION SCORESHEET

Offeror's Name: _____

Evaluator's Name: _____

Project Name/RFP#: _____

RFP EVALUATION CRITERIA DESCRIPTION	SCORE
3.1.1 QUALIFICATIONS STATEMENTS AND MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS See Section II – Item 2.3 and 2.4	PASS/FAIL
Failure to meet the minimum qualifications (Exhibit 3) and/or provide sufficient proof of compliance with the qualifications statement (Exhibit 1) may cause the Offeror's proposal to be deemed unacceptable.	
3.1.2 COMPANY OVERVIEW AND EXPERIENCE See Section II – Item 2.5 3.1.3 RECORD KEEPING AND CUSTODIAL SERVICES See Section II - Item 2.6	EVALUATION SCORE 10 (MAX)
In the Company Overview and Experience and Record Keeping and Custodial Services section, the Offeror should present: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proficiency with similar sized plans and plan types • Proven and sustainable long-term commitment to the industry • Key focus in retirement plan services • Considerable market share • Strong non-proprietary fund alliances • Limited levels of current litigation involvement • Ability to perform the services outlined in the Scope of Work Considerations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offeror's current participant and plan sponsor website and any planned system enhancements and upgrades • Ability to maintain and/or offer substantially similar services as those provided by the City's Group Roth IRA and Retirement Health Savings (RHS) Program • Any plan provisions that the Offeror cannot administer • Ability to record keep all the investments in the current 457/401(a) investment menu 	
Score for Company Overview and Experience and Record Keeping and Custodial Services	

<p>3.1.4 DATA SECURITY See Section II – Item 2.7</p>	<p>EVALUATION SCORE 20 (MAX)</p>
<p>In the Data Security section, the Offeror should present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A formal, well documented cybersecurity program • Prudent annual risk assessments • A reliable annual third-party audit of security controls • Clearly defined and assigned information security roles and responsibilities • Strong access control procedures • An ability to ensure that any data stored in a cloud or managed by a third-party service provider are subject to appropriate security reviews and independent security assessments • Workforce receives periodic cybersecurity awareness training • Implementation and management of a secure system development life cycle (SDLC) program • An effective business resiliency program addressing business continuity, disaster recovery, and incident response • Encryption of sensitive data stored and in transit • Implementation of strong technical controls implementing best security practices • Appropriate responses to any past cybersecurity incidents <p>Considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offeror’s capacity to respond and indemnify the City and its participants in the event of a significant cyber event 	
<p>Score for Data Security</p>	
<p>3.1.5 PLAN SPONSOR SERVICES See Section II – Item 2.8</p> <p>3.1.6 PARTICIPANT SERVICES See Section II – Item 2.9</p> <p>3.1.7 PARTICIPANT COMMUNICATION, EDUCATION, AND ADVICE See Section II – Item 2.10</p>	<p>EVALUATION SCORE 50 (MAX)</p>
<p>In the Plan Sponsor Services, Participant Services, and Participant Communications, Education, and Advice sections, the Offeror should present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relationship management capabilities and client satisfaction levels • Capabilities in areas of implementation, outsourcing, payroll, contributions, allocations, enrollment processes, distributions, trades, reconciliations and plan level reporting 	

<p>Considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relationship management tenure, case load, qualifications, and turnover, among others • Client retention ratios, standard response times, frequency of meetings, participant satisfaction measurements, and the processes in place for handling complaints • Quality of the provider’s participant and plan sponsor websites, interactive voice response systems (IVR), call centers, and other more general systems information • Ability of the Offeror to accommodate the City’s request for participant calls to be answered exclusively by U.S.-based representatives, if so requested • Quality of each provider’s standard and custom education materials, managed account solutions, asset allocation tools, as well as additional tools used to communicate and educate both participants and non-participants • Education, credentials, fiduciary responsibility, and related experience of the proposed participant education representative(s) who will be assigned to the City 	
<p>Score for Plan Sponsor Services, Participant Services, and Participant Communications, Education, and Advice</p>	
<p>3.1.8 EXCEPTIONS AND INSURANCE See Section II – Items 2.12 and 2.13</p>	<p>PASS/FAIL</p>
<p>Considerations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What (if any) exceptions (redlines to our terms and conditions) were proposed? Are they acceptable? • What (if any) exceptions (redlines to our insurance terms and conditions) were proposed? Are they acceptable? 	
<p>3.1.9 FEE PROPOSAL See Appendix A</p>	<p>EVALUATION SCORE 20 (MAX)</p>
<p>Offeror must complete and return Appendix A along with its proposal.</p> <p><u>EVALUATION METHODOLOGY:</u></p> <p>Each Fee Proposal will be ranked in comparison to the proposals submitted by all Offerors by dividing each Offeror’s proposed total fee for the City’s desired services by the lowest proposed total fee received from all Offerors. Each proposal will then be awarded a percentage of the maximum score allowable (20) for this evaluation criteria with the lowest proposed total fee receiving the maximum score allowable.</p>	
<p>Total Score – Add Evaluation Scores from Sections 3.1.2 – 3.1.3, 3.1.4, 3.1.5 – 3.1.7., and 3.1.9. The sum is the total score.</p>	<p>TOTAL SCORE</p>

SECTION VI – APPENDICES

6.0 APPENDICES

Appendix A – Fee Proposal

APPENDIX A – PROJECT FEE PROPOSAL

Offeror’s Name: _____

Project Name/RFP#: _____

Offeror must complete and return Appendix A along with its proposal. All applicable fees related to the Offeror’s proposed services should be detailed below. Any fees not listed in this section of the response may not be included in the resulting contract unless the Scope of Work is expanded to include additional services not previously included as part of the Project.

Fees shall be fixed and guaranteed for the entirety of the Performance Period, including any optional years, subject to price negotiations by either party in the event of material changes in the Plans’ provisions, asset-size, and/or use of additional services.

1. FULL PLAN RECORDKEEPING, ADMINISTRATION, CUSTODIAL, AND EDUCATION SERVICES

CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS	401(a) and 457(b) Plans	RHS PROGRAM	GROUP ROTH IRA
PRICING ASSUMPTIONS			
Plan Asset Assumption (\$) <i>(amount the required revenue/basis point pricing applies to)</i>	\$162,000,000	\$4,900,000	\$0.00
List the asset types not included in your asset assumption <i>(i.e. loans, SDBA, etc.)</i>			Current IRA assets
Participant Count Assumption <i>(the count the per participant pricing applies to)</i>	3,119	258	0
Does Your Proposed Service Model Require a TPA? (Y/N)			
PRICING INFORMATION			
Open Architecture Required Revenue (%)			
Open Architecture Required Revenue (\$/participant)			
Required Revenue Using proprietary Stable Value or Fixed Option (%)			N/A
Required Revenue Using proprietary Stable Value or Fixed Option (\$/participant)			N/A
Required Revenue including Managed Account Services (%)			
Required Revenue including Managed Account Services (\$/participant)			

CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS	401(a) and 457(b) Plans	RHS PROGRAM	GROUP ROTH IRA
EDUCATION/COMMUNICATION <i>(applicable to all plans)</i>			
Onsite Meeting Days Included in Pricing			
Virtual Meeting Days Included in Pricing			
Additional Onsite or Virtual Meeting Days (\$/day)			
ADDITIONAL PRICING INFORMATION			
Loan Set-up		N/A	N/A
Loan Maintenance		N/A	N/A
Distributions (non-periodic, Active)		N/A	
Distributions (non-periodic, Terminated)			
Periodic Distributions			
Hardship Distribution		N/A	N/A
QDRO Processing			
QDRO Qualification			
Contribution Corrections			
Plan Sponsor or Investment Manager Initiated Fund Changes			
Required Disclosure Mailings (as applicable), either electronic or hardcopy			

CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS	401(a) and 457(b) Plans	RHS PROGRAM	GROUP ROTH IRA
Self-Directed Brokerage Fees – Annual participant account fee			N/A
Self-Directed Brokerage Fees – Plan-level fee			N/A
Self-Directed Brokerage Fees – Transaction fees by type			N/A
Managed Account Fees – Quarterly or Annual Participant fee			
Managed Account Fees – Plan-level Fee			
OTHER FEES			
Other Fees			

2. PROPRIETARY STABLE VALUE OR FIXED OPTION INFORMATION

Provide responses to the following questions if any part of the Offeror's fee proposal includes use of its proprietary stable value or fixed option.

- A. What stable value or fixed option is being proposed? Include the name, type of investment strategy, and share class or tier of the investment along with any other descriptive information.
- B. Is there a contractually guaranteed minimum interest rate for this investment? If so, what is that guaranteed minimum interest rate?
- C. Will this minimum rate be guaranteed for the life of the contract? If not, what is the guarantee period?
- D. What is the current interest rate on new deposits?
- E. When does the current interest rate mature?
- F. When is a new interest rate established?
- G. What were the historic interest rates / annual returns on this account over each of the last five years?
- H. What are the provisions / restrictions for participants to transfer assets from this account to other investment options within the fund lineup?
- I. What are the provisions / restrictions for participants to withdraw assets from this account, either for distribution or to transfer to another provider?
- J. What are the provisions / restrictions for the City to transfer assets from this account to an alternate provider?
- K. What are the insurance company's current financial strength ratings from AM Best, Fitch, Moody's and S&P?
- L. Describe the fees and any revenue sharing that may be applicable.

3. OTHER

- A. How will float income be managed, retained, and/or reported?
- B. How will gains from corrective activity resulting from the Offeror's error be managed, retained, and/or reported?