# Hillsborough County Aviation Authority

# FINANCIAL EXTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES CONTRACT

COMPANY: RSM US LLP

Term Date: June 2, 2021 through June 1, 2026

Board Date: April 1, 2021

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# HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY AVIATION AUTHORITY Financial External Audit Services

This Contract for Financial External Audit Services (Contract) is made and entered into this \_\_\_\_ day of April2021 between the Hillsborough County Aviation Authority, an independent special district under the laws of the State of Florida whose post office address is Post Office Box 22287, Tampa, Florida 33622 (Authority), and RSM US LLP, an Iowa limited liability partnership, authorized to do business in the State of Florida (Company), (collectively hereinafter referred to as the Parties).

For and in consideration of the mutual covenants hereof, the Parties do hereby agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE 1

## **CONTRACT**

## 1.01 Definitions

The following terms will have the meanings as set forth below:

- A. **Accounts Payable**: The unit within Authority Finance Department that deals with accounts payable.
- B. Airport: Tampa International Airport.
- C. **Annual Audit Fee**: Fee paid to Company by Authority for the performance of Services, including labor, materials, transportation, and other such services.
- D. **Arrangement Letter**: Company's standard audit letter outlining the objective and scope of the audit.
- E. **Audit Manager or Audit Senior Manager**: The individual designated by Company to oversee and review the engagement team.
- F. **Authority Business Days**: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time Zone, Monday through Friday, with the exception of Authority holidays.
- G. **Board**: The Hillsborough County Aviation Authority Board of Directors.
- H. **CEO**: The Hillsborough County Aviation Authority Chief Executive Officer.
- I. **Certified Public Accountant:** A member of an officially accredited professional body of accountants.

- J. Contract Documents: The following documents are a part of this Contract and are hereby incorporated by reference: the terms and conditions as contained in this Contract; Arrangement Letter; Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 84009, Financial External Audit Services, dated October 7, 2020, and all its addenda; and Company's Response to RFP No. 84009, Financial External Audit Services, and any subsequent information submitted by Company during the evaluation process.
- K. **Contract Manager**: Authority representative responsible for coordinating and overseeing this Contract to include, but not be limited to, monitoring, interpreting and overseeing the Services with regard to the quality performed, the manner of performance, and Authority and customer satisfaction with performance levels.
- L. Corporate Representative: The individual designated by the Company who is responsible for monitoring this Contract and coordinating support for this Contract at the corporate level to ensure compliance with the terms and conditions of the Contract.
- M. **FAA**: The U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration or any successor thereto.
- N. Peer Review Report: Report issued as a result of the external review of a firm's quality control system in accounting and auditing in accordance with AICPA requirements.
- O. **Principal Auditor**: The individual designated by Company, who is either a partner, director, shareholder, principal, or equivalent position with the Company.
- P. **Services**: The services as detailed in Exhibit A, Scope of Services.
- Q. **TSA**: The U.S. Department of Homeland Security Transportation Security Administration or any successor thereto.
- R. **Special Services**: Additional work, such as, but not limited to, review of preliminary official statements during the issuance of debt, authorized by the Authority pursuant to a Work Order.
- S. **Work Order**: The form used by Authority and Company in accordance with Section 2.02, Work Order.

#### 1.02 Exhibits

The following Exhibits are attached hereto and are hereby incorporated and made a part of this Contract. Based on the needs of Authority, the Exhibits may be modified from time to time by letter to Company without formal amendment to this Contract.

- A. Exhibit A, Scope of Services
- B. Exhibit B, Sample Work Order
- C. Exhibit C, Scrutinized Company Certification
- D. Exhibit D, Authority Policy P412, Travel, Business Development, and Working Meals Expenses

## **SCOPE OF SERVICES**

2.01 Company agrees to provide the Services as set forth in Exhibit A, Scope of Services.

## 2.02 Work Order

Prior to the onset of any Services to be provided, Company and Authority will outline each task involved, establish a schedule for completing each task and detail the associated costs in a Work Order as shown in Exhibit B, Sample Work Order. The Work Order schedule may go beyond the termination date of this Contract if necessary to complete the Work Order tasks. Company will only begin work upon execution of the Work Order by Company and Authority. Company will use its best efforts to ensure that each task in the Work Order is completed on budget and on time according to the agreed upon work schedule.

If Authority and Company cannot agree on the details of the Work Order, Authority will be entitled to select another company to provide the Services. If Company cannot complete an executed Work Order within the agreed upon schedule and/or costs, Authority will terminate the Work Order and Authority will be entitled to select another company to provide the Services.

## **ARTICLE 3**

#### TERM

#### 3.01 Effective Date

This Contract will become effective upon execution by Company and approval and execution by Authority. This Contract may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original and all of which will be taken together and deemed to be one instrument.

#### 3.02 Term

The Term of this Contract commences on June 2, 2021 and will continue through June 1, 2026 unless terminated earlier as provided herein.

## 3.03 Renewal Option

This Contract may be renewed at the same terms and conditions hereunder for one (1), two (2) year period at the discretion of the CEO. Such renewal will be effective by issuance of a written letter to Company by CEO. If all such renewals are exercised, this Contract will have a final termination date of June 1, 2028.

## 3.04 Early Termination

Authority may terminate this Contract, without cause, by giving thirty (30) days written notice to Company.

#### **ARTICLE 4**

## **FEES AND PAYMENTS**

## 4.01 Payment

#### A. Not-To-Exceed

The total amount payable under this Contract will be subject to the amount approved by the Board. Authority will provide written notice to Company of the amount approved and any revised amount thereafter.

## B. Annual Audit Fee

Company will be paid in accordance with the below Annual Audit Fee. Progress payments may be made during the course of the audit on no more than a monthly basis. Company will submit the hours worked by each person assigned to the audit prior to the final payment. The Annual Audit Fee will include preparation of reports as specified in the Scope of Services and the printing and binding, if required, of the audited financial statements.

Annual Audit Fee for fiscal year ending September 30, 2021	\$196,500.00
Annual Audit Fee for fiscal year ending September 30, 2022	\$196,500.00
Annual Audit Fee for fiscal year ending September 30, 2023	\$196,500.00
Annual Audit Fee for fiscal year ending September 30, 2024	\$202,395.00
Annual Audit Fee for fiscal year ending September 30, 2025	\$208,470.00

Annual Audit Fee for fiscal year ending September 30, 2026	\$214,720.00
Annual Audit Fee for fiscal year ending September 30, 2027	\$221,160.00

#### C. Special Services Rate

In the event Authority requires Company to perform Special Services, Company will be paid the below Special Services Rate per hour. The Authority does not guarantee any amount of Special Services.

Staff Level	Special Service Rate per hour (Audit for FY ending September 30, 2021, 2022, and 2023)	Special Service Rate per hour (Audit for FY ending September 30, 2024)	Special Service Rate per hour (Audit for FY ending September 30, 2025)	Special Service Rate per hour (Audit for FY ending September 30, 2026)	Special Service Rate per hour (Audit for FY ending September 30, 2027)
Partner/Principal	\$375.00	\$386.00	\$397.00	\$408.00	\$420.00
Senior Manager	\$310.00	\$319.00	\$328.00	\$337.00	\$347.00
Manager	\$240.00	\$247.00	\$254.00	\$261.00	\$269.00
Senior	\$175.00	\$180.00	\$185.00	\$190.00	\$196.00
Staff	\$120.00	\$123.00	\$126.00	\$129.00	\$133.00

## D. Travel

Any travel costs will be paid in accordance with Exhibit D, Authority Policy P412, Travel, Business Development, and Working Meals Expenses.

#### 4.02 Invoices

Any invoices required by this Contract will be created and submitted by Company to Authority Finance Department via Oracle iSupplier® Portal Full Access in a form acceptable to Authority and will include at a minimum the invoice date, invoice amount, dates of Services, and purchase order number.

## 4.03 Payment Method

Company will receive electronic payments via Automated Clearing House (ACH) – VIP Supplier, ACH – Standard, ePayables, or Purchasing Card (PCard). Information regarding the electronic payment methods and processes including net terms is available on Authority website at www.TampaAirport.com > Learn about TPA > Airport Business > Procurement > More Information – Electronic Payment Methods. Authority reserves the right to modify the electronic payment methods and processes at any time. Company may

change its selected electronic payment method during the Term of this Contract in coordination with Accounts Payable.

- 4.04 Payment When Services Are Terminated at the Convenience of Authority
  In the event of termination of this Contract for the convenience of Authority, Authority
  will compensate Company as listed below; however, in no event shall Company be
  entitled to any damages or remedies for wrongful termination.
  - A. All work performed prior to the effective date of termination; and
  - B. Expenses incurred by Company in effecting the termination of this Contract as approved in advance by Authority.

## 4.05 Prompt Payment

Company must pay any of its subcontractor(s) who have submitted verified invoices for work already performed within ten (10) calendar days of being paid by Authority. Any exception to this prompt payment provision will only be for good cause with prior written approval of Authority. Failure of Company to pay any of its subcontractor(s) accordingly will be a material breach of this Contract.

#### ARTICLE 5

#### **TAXES**

All taxes of any kind and character payable on account of the Services furnished and work done under this Contract will be paid by Company. The laws of the State of Florida provide that sales tax and use taxes are payable by Company upon the tangible personal property incorporated in the work and such taxes will be paid by Company. Authority is exempt from all State and Federal sales, use and transportation taxes.

#### **ARTICLE 6**

## **OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS**

All documents, papers, letters, maps, books, tapes, photographs, films, sound recordings, data processing software, or other material, regardless of the physical form or characteristics made by Company or its employees incident to, or in the course of, Services to Authority, will be and remain the property of Authority.

## **QUALITY ASSURANCE**

Company will be solely responsible for the quality of all Services furnished by Company, its employees and/or its subcontractors under this Contract. All Services furnished by Company, its employees and/or its subcontractors must be performed in accordance with best management practices and best professional judgment, in a timely manner, and must be fit and suitable for the purposes intended by Authority. Company's Services and deliverables must conform with all applicable federal and State laws, regulations and ordinances.

#### **ARTICLE 8**

## **NON-EXCLUSIVE**

Company acknowledges that Authority has, or may hire, others to perform Services similar to or the same as that which is within Company's Scope of Services under this Contract. Company further acknowledges that this Contract is not a guarantee of the assignment of any work and that the assignment of work to others is solely within Authority discretion.

#### ARTICLE 9

## **DEFAULT AND TERMINATION**

- 9.01 Events of Default
  - Company will be deemed to be in default of this Contract upon the occurrence of any of the following:
  - A. The failure or omission by Company to perform its obligations under this Contract or the breach of any terms, conditions and covenants required herein.
  - B. The conduct of any business or performance of any acts at the Airport not specifically authorized in this Contract, failure to perform any of the provisions of this Contract, or any other agreement between Authority and Company, and Company's failure to discontinue that business or those acts within ten (10) days of receipt by Company of Authority written notice to cease said business or acts.
  - C. The divestiture of Company's estate herein by operation of law, by dissolution, or by liquidation, not including a merger or sale of assets.
  - D. The appointment of a Trustee, custodian, or receiver of all or a substantial portion of Company's assets; or the insolvency of Company; or if Company will take the benefit of any present or future insolvency statute, will make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, or will seek a reorganization or the readjustment of its

indebtedness under any law or statute of the United States or of any state thereof, including the filing by Company of a voluntary petition of bankruptcy or the institution of proceedings against Company for the adjudication of Company as bankrupt pursuant thereto.

E. Company's violation of Florida Statute Section 287.133, concerning criminal activity on contracts with public entities.

## 9.02 Authority Remedies

In the event of any of the foregoing events of default enumerated in this Article, and following ten (10) days' notice by Authority and Company's failure to cure, Authority, at its election, may exercise any one or more of the following options or remedies, the exercise of any of which will not be deemed to preclude the exercise of any other remedy herein listed or otherwise provided by statute or general law:

- A. Terminate Company's rights under this Contract and, in accordance with law, Company will remain liable for all payments or other sums due under this Contract and for all damages suffered by Authority because of Company's breach of any of the covenants of this Contract; or
- B. Treat this Contract as remaining in existence, curing Company's default by performing or paying the obligation which Company has breached. In such event all sums paid or expenses incurred by Authority directly or indirectly in curing Company's default will become immediately due and payable as well as interest thereon, from the date such fees or charges became due to the date of payment, at twelve percent (12%) per annum or to the maximum extent permitted by law; or
- C. Declare this Contract to be terminated, ended, null and void.

No waiver by Authority at any time of any of the terms, conditions, covenants, or agreements of this Contract, or noncompliance therewith, will be deemed or taken as a waiver at any time thereafter of the same or any other term, condition, covenant, or agreement herein contained, nor of the strict and prompt performance thereof by Company. No notice by Authority will be required to restore or revive time is of the essence hereof after waiver by Authority or default in one or more instances. No option, right, power, remedy, or privilege of Authority will be construed as being exhausted or discharged by the exercise thereof in one or more instances. It is agreed that each and all of the rights, powers, options, or remedies given to Authority by this Contract are cumulative and that the exercise of one right, power, option, or remedy by Authority will not impair its rights to any other right, power, option, or remedy available under this Contract or provided by law. No act or thing done by Authority or Authority agents or employees during the Term will be deemed an acceptance of the surrender of this Contract, and no acceptance of surrender will be valid unless in writing.

## 9.03 Continuing Responsibilities of Company

Notwithstanding the occurrence of any event of default, Company will remain liable to Authority for all payments payable hereunder and for all preceding breaches of this Contract. Furthermore, unless Authority elects to cancel this Contract, Company will remain liable for and promptly pay any and all payments accruing hereunder until termination of this Contract.

## 9.04 Company's Remedies

Upon thirty (30) days written notice to Authority, Company may terminate this Contract and all of its obligations hereunder, if Company is not in default of any term, provision, or covenant of this Contract or in the payment of any fees or charges to Authority, and only upon or after the occurrence of the following: the inability of Company to use Airport for a period of longer than ninety (90) consecutive days due to war, terrorism, or the issuance of any order, rule or regulation by a competent governmental authority or court having jurisdiction over Authority, preventing Company from operating its business for a period of ninety (90) consecutive days, provided, however that such inability or such order, rule or regulation is not due to any fault or negligence of Company.

In the event it is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction that Authority has wrongfully terminated this Contract, such termination shall automatically be deemed a termination for convenience under Article 4.04.

#### **ARTICLE 10**

## **INDEMNIFICATION**

- A. To the maximum extent permitted by Florida law, in addition to Company's obligation to provide pay for and maintain insurance as set forth elsewhere in this Contract, Company will indemnify and hold harmless Authority, its members, officers, agents, employees, and volunteers from any and all liabilities, suits, claims, procedures, liens, expenses, losses, costs, royalties, fines and damages (including but not limited to claims for attorney's fees and court costs) caused in whole or in part by the:
  - 1. Presence on, use or occupancy of Authority property;
  - 2. Acts, omissions, negligence (including professional negligence and malpractice), recklessness, intentional wrongful conduct, activities, or operations;
  - 3. Any breach of the terms of this Contract;
  - 4. Performance, non-performance or purported performance of this Contract;
  - 5. Violation of any law, regulation, rule or ordinance;
  - 6. Infringement of any patent, copyright, trademark, trade dress or trade secret rights; and/or

7. Contamination of the soil, groundwater, surface water, storm water, air or the environment by fuel, gas, chemicals or any other substance deemed by the Environmental Protection Agency or other regulatory agency to be an environmental contaminant

by the Company or Company's officers, employees, agents, volunteers, subcontractors, invitees, or any other person directly or indirectly employed or utilized by the Company, regardless of whether the liability, suit, suit, claim, lien, expense, loss, cost, fine or damages is caused in part by the Company, its members, officers, agents, employees or volunteers or any other indemnified party. This indemnity obligation expressly applies, and shall be construed to include, any and all claim(s) caused in part by the negligence, acts or omissions of the Company, its members, officers, agents, employees, and volunteers.

- B. In addition to the duty to indemnify and hold harmless, Company will have the separate and independent duty to defend Authority, its members, officers, agents, employees, and volunteers from all suits, claims or actions of any nature seeking damages, equitable or injunctive relief expenses, liens, losses, costs, royalties, fines, attorney's fees or any other relief in the event the suit, claim, or action of any nature arises in whole or in part from:
  - 1. The presence on, use or occupancy of Authority property;
  - 2. Acts, omissions, negligence (including professional negligence and malpractice), recklessness, intentional wrongful conduct, activities, or operations;
  - 3. Any breach of the terms of this Contract;
  - 4. Performance, non-performance or purported performance of this Contract;
  - 5. Violation of any law, regulation, rule or ordinance;
  - 6. Infringement of any patent, copyright, trademark, trade dress or trade secret rights;
  - 7. Contamination of the soil, groundwater, surface water, stormwater, air or the environment by fuel, gas, chemicals or any other substance deemed by the Environmental Protection agency or other regulatory agency to be an environmental contaminant

by the Company or Company's officers, employees, agents, volunteers, subcontractors, invitees, or any other person directly or indirectly employed or utilized by Company regardless of whether it is caused in part by Authority, its members, officers, agents, employees, or volunteers. This duty to defend exists immediately upon presentation of written notice of a suit, claim or action of any nature to Company by a party entitled to a defense hereunder. This defense obligation expressly applies, and shall be construed to include, any and all claim(s) caused in part by the negligence, acts or omissions of the Company, its members, officers, agents, employees, and volunteers.

- C. If the above indemnity or defense provisions or any part of the above indemnity or defense provisions are limited by Fla. Stat. § 725.06(2)-(3) or Fla. Stat. § 725.08, then with respect to the part so limited, Company agrees to the following: To the maximum extent permitted by Florida law, Company will indemnify and hold harmless Authority, its members, officers, agents, employees, and volunteers from any and all liabilities, damages, losses, and costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fee, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentional wrongful conduct of Company and persons employed or utilized by Company in the performance of this Contract.
- D. If the above indemnity or defense provisions or any part of the above indemnity or defense provisions are limited by Florida Statute § 725.06 (1) or any other applicable law, then with respect to the part so limited the monetary limitation on the extent of the indemnification shall be the greater of the (i) monetary value of this Contract, (ii) coverage amount of Commercial General Liability Insurance required under this Contract or (iii) \$1,000,000.00. Otherwise, the obligations of this Article will not be limited by the amount of any insurance required to be obtained or maintained under this Contract.
- E. Company's obligations to defend and indemnify as described in this Article will survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Contract until it is determined by final judgment that any suit, claim or other action against Authority, its members, officers, agents, employees, and volunteers its fully and finally barred by the applicable statute of limitations or repose.
- F. In addition to the requirements stated above, to the extent required by FDOT Public Transportation Grant Agreement and to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Company shall indemnify and hold harmless the State of Florida, FDOT, including the FDOT's officers and employees, from liabilities, damages, losses and costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness or intentional wrongful misconduct of the Company and persons employed or utilized by the Company in the performance of this Contract. This indemnification in this paragraph shall survive the termination of this Contract. Nothing contained in this paragraph is intended to nor shall it constitute a waiver of the State of Florida's and FDOT's sovereign immunity.
- G. Nothing in this Article will be construed as a waiver of any immunity from or limitation of liability Authority, or its members, officers, agents, employees, and volunteers may have under the doctrine of sovereign immunity under common law or statute.

- H. Authority and its members, officers, agents, employees, and volunteers reserve the right, at their option, to participate in the defense of any suit, without relieving Company of any of its obligations under this Article.
- I. If the above Articles A H or any part of Articles A H are deemed to conflict in any way with any law, the Article or part of the Article will be considered modified by such law to remedy the conflict.

## ACCOUNTING RECORDS AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS

#### 11.01 Books and Records

In connection with payments to Company under this Contract, it is agreed Company will maintain full and accurate books of account and records customarily used in this type of business operation, in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). Company will maintain such books and records for five years after the end of the Term of this Contract. Records include, but are not limited to, books, documents, papers, and records of Company directly pertinent to this Contract. Company will not destroy any records related to this Contract without the express written permission of Authority.

## 11.02 Financial Reports

Company will submit all financial reports required by Authority, in the form and within the time period required by Authority.

11.03 Authority Right to Perform Audits, Inspections, or Attestation Engagements
At any time or times during the Term of this Contract or within three years after the end
of this Contract, Authority, or its duly authorized representative, will be permitted to
initiate and perform audits, inspections or attestation engagements over Company's
records for the purpose of determining payment eligibility under this Contract or over
selected operations performed by Company under this Contract for the purpose of
determining compliance with this Contract.

Free and unrestricted access will be granted to all of Company's records directly pertinent to this Contract or any work order, as well as records of parent, affiliate and subsidiary companies and any subconsultants or subcontractors. If the records are kept at locations other than the Airport, Company will arrange for said records to be brought to a location convenient to Authority auditors to conduct the engagement as set forth in this Article. Or, Company may transport Authority team to Company headquarters for purposes of undertaking said engagement. In such event, Company will pay reasonable costs of transportation, food and lodging for Authority team. In the event Company maintains its accounting or Contract information in electronic format, upon request by Authority auditors, Company will provide a download or extract of data files in a computer readable

format acceptable to Authority at no additional cost. Authority has the right during the engagement to interview Company's employees, subconsultants, and subcontractors, and to make photocopies of records as needed.

Company agrees to deliver or provide access to all records requested by Authority auditors within fourteen (14) calendar days of the request at the initiation of the engagement and to deliver or provide access to all other records requested during the engagement within seven (7) calendar days of each request. The Parties recognize that Authority will incur additional costs if records requested by Authority auditors are not provided in a timely manner and that the amount of those costs is difficult to determine with certainty. Consequently, the Parties agree Authority may assess liquidated damages in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100.00), in addition to all other contractual financial requirements, for each item in a records request, per calendar day, for each time Company is late in submitting requested records to perform the engagement. Accrual of such fee will continue until specific performance is accomplished. This liquidated damages rate is not an exclusive remedy and Authority retains all rights, including, but not limited to, its rights to elect its remedies and pursue all legal and equitable remedies. The Parties expressly agree that these liquidated damages are not a penalty and represent reasonable estimates of fair compensation for the losses that reasonably may be anticipated from Company's failure to comply.

If as a result of any engagement, it is determined that Company has overcharged Authority, Company will re-pay Authority for overcharge and Authority may assess interest of up to twelve percent (12%) on the overcharge from the date the overcharge occurred. If it is determined that Company has overcharged Authority by more than three percent for the period under consideration, Company will also pay for the entire cost of the engagement.

Company will include a provision providing Authority the same access to business records at the subconsultant and subcontractor level in all of its subconsultant and subcontractor agreements executed related to this Contract.

## **ARTICLE 12**

#### **INSURANCE**

#### 12.01 Insurance

Company must maintain the following limits and coverages uninterrupted or amended through the Term of this Contract. In the event Company becomes in default of the following requirements Authority reserves the right to take whatever actions deemed necessary to protect its interests. Required liability policies other than Workers' Compensation/Employer's Liability and Professional Liability, will provide that Authority,

members of the Authority's governing body, and Authority officers, volunteers and employees are included as additional insured.

## 12.02 Required Coverage – Minimum Limits

## A. Commercial General Liability Insurance

The minimum limits of insurance (inclusive of any amounts provided by an umbrella or excess policy) covering the Services performed pursuant to this Contract will be the amounts specified herein. Coverage will be provided for liability resulting out of, or in connection with, ongoing operations performed by, or on behalf of, Company under this Contract or the use or occupancy of Authority premises by, or on behalf of, Company in connection with this Contract. Coverage shall be provided on a form no more restrictive than ISO Form CG 00 01. Additional insurance coverage shall be provided on a form no more restrictive than ISO Form CG 20 10 10 01 and CG 20 37 10 01.

	Contract Specific
Each Occurrence	\$1,000,000
Personal and Advertising Injury Each Occurrence	\$1,000,000
Products and Completed Operations Aggregate	\$1,000,000

## B. Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance

The minimum limits insurance (inclusive of any amount provided by an umbrella or excess policy) are:

Part One:	"Statutory"
Part Two:	
Each Accident	\$1,000,000
Disease – Policy Limit	\$1,000,000
Disease – Each Employee	\$1,000,000

## C. Business Automobile Liability Insurance

Coverage will be provided for all owned, hired and non-owned vehicles. Coverage shall be provided on a form no more restrictive than ISO Form CA 00 01.

The minimum limits of insurance (inclusive of any amounts provided by an umbrella or excess policy) covering the work performed pursuant to this Contract will be:

Each Occurrence – Bodily Injury and Property	
Damage combined	\$1,000,000

## D. Professional Liability Insurance

Such insurance will be provided on a form acceptable to Authority and maintained throughout this Contract and for three years following completion of this Contract. Coverage will include all work of Company without exclusions unless approved in writing by Authority. The limits of coverage will not be less than:

Each Occurrence \$1,000,000 Annual Aggregate \$1,000,000

## E. Waiver of Subrogation

Company, for itself and on behalf of its insurers, to the full extent permitted by law without voiding the insurance required by this Contract, waives all rights against Authority, members of Authority's governing body and Authority officers, volunteers and employees, for damages or loss to the extent covered and paid for by any insurance maintained by Company. The Authority agrees to waive the requirement for Waiver of Subrogation for Professional Liability Insurance.

#### 12.03 Incident Notification:

The Company will promptly notify the Airport Operations Center (AOC) of all incidents involving bodily injury or property damage occurring on Authority-owned property, tenant owned property or third party property.

## 12.04 Customer Claims, Issues, or Complaints:

All customer claims, issues, or complaints regarding property damage or bodily injury related to the Company will be promptly handled, addressed and resolved by the Company.

The Company will track all customer claims, issues, and complaints and their status on a Claims Log available for review, as needed, by Authority Risk Management. The Claims Log should include a detailed report of the incident along with the response and/or resolution. Authority Risk Management has the option to monitor all incidents, claims, issues or complaints where the Authority could be held liable for injury or damages.

## 12.05 Conditions of Acceptance

The insurance maintained by Company must conform at all times with Authority Standard Procedure S250.06, Contractual Insurance Terms and Conditions, which may be amended from time to time and can be downloaded from Authority website at <a href="https://www.TampaAirport.com">www.TampaAirport.com</a> > Learn about TPA > Airport Business > Procurement > Additional Supplier Resources.

## **NON-DISCRIMINATION**

During the performance of this Contract, Company, for itself, its assignees and successors in interest, agrees as follows:

- 13.01 Company will comply with the regulations relative to non-discrimination in federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation (DOT) Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21, as amended from time to time (hereinafter referred to as the Regulations), which are incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Contract.
- 13.02 Civil Rights. Company, with regard to the work performed by it under this Contract, will not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. Company will not participate directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by the Acts and the Regulations, including employment practices when the Contract covers any activity, project, or program set forth in Appendix B of 49 CFR Part 21. During the performance of this Contract, Company, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest agrees to comply with the following non-discrimination statutes and authorities, including but not limited to:
  - A. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., 78 stat. 252), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin);
  - B. 49 CFR part 21 (Non-discrimination In Federally-Assisted Programs of The Department of Transportation—Effectuation of Title VI of The Civil Rights Act of 1964);
  - C. The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 U.S.C. § 4601), (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
  - D. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, (29 U.S.C. § 794 et seq.), as amended, (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability); and 49 CFR part 27;
  - E. The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
  - F. Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, (49 USC § 471, Section 47123), as amended, (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex);
  - G. The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, (PL 100-209), (Broadened the scope, coverage and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms "programs or activities" to include all of the programs or activities of the

- Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not);
- H. Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 U.S.C. §§ 12131 12189) as implemented by Department of Transportation regulations at 49 CFR parts 37 and 38;
- I. The Federal Aviation Administration's Non-discrimination statute (49 U.S.C. § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- J. Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures nondiscrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations;
- K. Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, Company must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to Company's programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100); and
- L. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits Company from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq).
- 13.03 In all solicitations either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by the Company for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurement of materials or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier must be notified by Company of Company's obligations under this Contract and the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color or national origin.
- 13.04 Company will provide all information and reports required by the Regulations or directives issued pursuant thereto and must permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information and its facilities as may be determined by Authority or the FAA to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations, orders and instructions. Where any information required of Company is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information, Company will so certify to Authority or the FAA, as appropriate, and will set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.

13.05 In the event of Company's non-compliance with the non-discrimination provisions of this Contract, Authority will impose such contractual sanctions as it or the FAA may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to, withholding of payments to Company under this Contract until Company complies, and/or cancellation, termination or suspension of this Contract, in whole or in part.

13.06 Company will include the provisions of Paragraphs 13.01 through 13.05 in every subcontract and subconsultant contract, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Regulations or directives issued thereto. Company will take such action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as Authority or the FAA may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for non-compliance. Provided, however, that in the event Company becomes involved in or is threatened with litigation with a subcontractor or supplier as a result of such direction, Company may request Authority to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of Authority and, in addition, Company may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

13.07 Company assures that, in the performance of its obligations under this Contract, it will fully comply with the requirements of 14 CFR Part 152, Subpart E (Non-Discrimination in Airport Aid Program), as amended from time to time, to the extent applicable to Company, to ensure, among other things, that no person will be excluded from participating in any activities covered by such requirements on the grounds of race, creed, color, national origin, or sex. Company, if required by such requirements, will provide assurances to Authority that Company will undertake an affirmative action program and will require the same of its subconsultants.

#### **ARTICLE 14**

#### WOMAN AND MINORITY-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES

#### 14.01 Authority Policy

Authority is committed to the participation of Woman and Minority-Owned Business Enterprises (W/MBEs) in non-concession, non-federally funded contracting opportunities in accordance with Authority W/MBE Policy and Program. Company will take all necessary and reasonable steps in accordance therewith to ensure that W/MBEs are encouraged to compete for and perform subcontracts under this Contract. Company will not take any action during the Term of this Contract that may have a materially negative impact upon Company's ability to meet its stated W/MBE goals.

#### 14.02 Non-Discrimination

A. Company and any subcontractor of Company will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this Contract. Company will carry out applicable requirements of Authority W/MBE Policy and Program in the award

- and administration of this Contract. Failure by Company to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this Contract, which may result in the termination of this Contract or such other remedy as Authority deems appropriate.
- B. Company agrees that it will not discriminate against any business owner because of the owner's race, color, national origin, or sex in connection with the award or performance of any agreement, management contract, or subcontract, purchase or lease agreement.
- C. Company agrees to include the statements in paragraphs (A) and (B) above in any subsequent agreement or contract that it enters and cause those businesses to similarly include the statements in further agreements or contracts.

## 14.03 W/MBE Participation

- A. W/MBE Expectancy: Company agrees that it will subcontract with W/MBE firms, certified as a woman-owned or minority-owned business by the City of Tampa, Hillsborough County, the State of Florida Department of Management Services, Office of Supplier Diversity, or as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) under the Florida Unified Certification Program, in an amount equal to at least twenty percent (20%) of the total dollar amount of this Contract or clearly demonstrate in a manner acceptable to Authority its good faith efforts to do so. Company will contract with those W/MBEs as stated in the W/MBE Assurance and Participation form and Letter of Intent for each W/MBE presented with Company's Response, which is incorporated by reference into this Contract.
- B. W/MBE Termination and Substitution: Company is prohibited from terminating or altering or changing the scope of work of a W/MBE subcontractor except upon written approval of Authority in accordance with Authority procedures relating to W/MBE terminations contained in the W/MBE Policy and Program. Failure to comply with the procedure relating to W/MBE terminations or changes during this Contract will be a material violation of this Contract and will invoke the sanctions for non-compliance specified in this Contract and the W/MBE Policy and Program.
- C. Monitoring: Authority will monitor the ongoing good faith efforts of Company in meeting the requirements of this Article. Authority will have access to the necessary records to examine such information as may be appropriate for the purpose of investigating and determining compliance with this Article, including, but not limited to, records, records of expenditures, contracts between Company and the W/MBE participant, and other records pertaining to W/MBE participation, which Company will maintain for a minimum of three years following the end of this Contract. Opportunities for W/MBE participation will be reviewed prior to the exercise of any renewal, extension or material amendment of this Contract to consider whether an

- adjustment in the W/MBE requirement is warranted. Without limiting the requirements of this Contract, Authority reserves the right to review and approve all sub-leases or subcontracts utilized by Company for the achievement of these goals.
- D. Prompt Payment: Company agrees to pay each subcontractor under this Contract for satisfactory performance of its contract no later than ten (10) calendar days from the receipt of each payment Company receives from Authority. Company agrees further to release retainage payments to each subcontractor within ten (10) calendar days after the subcontractor's work is satisfactorily completed. Any delay or postponement of payment from the above referenced time frame may occur only for good cause following written approval of Authority. This clause applies to both W/MBE and non-W/MBE subcontractors.
- E. Sanctions for Non-Compliance: In the event of Company's non-compliance with Authority W/MBE Policy and Program, failure to meet the prescribed W/MBE goal set forth in this Contract, or failure to establish a good faith effort to do so, Authority will impose such sanctions as Authority may determine to be appropriate including but not limited to:
  - 1. Withholding of payments to Company under this Contract until Company complies; and/or
  - 2. Cancellation, termination or suspension of this Contract in whole or in part; and/or
  - 3. Debarment or suspension of Company from eligibility to contract with Authority in the future or to solicitation packages.

## **AUTHORITY APPROVALS**

Except as otherwise specifically indicated elsewhere in this Contract, wherever in this Contract approvals are required to be given or received by Authority, it is understood that the CEO, or designee, is hereby empowered to act on behalf of Authority.

## **ARTICLE 16**

## **DATA SECURITY**

Company will establish and maintain safeguards against the destruction, loss or alteration of Authority data or third party data that Company may gain access to or be in possession of in providing the Services of this Contract. Company will not attempt to access, and will not allow its personnel access to, Authority data or third party data that is not required for the performance of the Services of this Contract by such personnel.

Company and its employees, vendors, subcontractors, and sub-consultants will adhere to and abide by the security measures and procedures established by Authority and any terms of service agreed to by Authority with regards to data security. In the event Company or Company's subcontractor (if any) discovers or is notified of a breach or potential breach of security relating to Authority data or third party data, Company will promptly:

- A. Notify Authority of such breach or potential breach; and
- B. If the applicable Authority data or third party data was in the possession of Company at the time of such breach or potential breach, Company will investigate and cure the breach or potential breach.

#### **ARTICLE 17**

## **DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

## 17.01 Claims and Disputes

- A. A claim is a written demand or assertion by one of the parties seeking, as a matter of right, an adjustment or interpretation of this Contract, payment of money, extension of time or other relief with respect to the terms of this Contract. The term claim also includes other matters in question between Authority and Company arising out of or relating to this Contract. The responsibility to substantiate claims will rest with the party making the claim.
- B. If for any reason Company deems that additional cost or Contract time is due to Company for work not clearly provided for in this Contract, or previously authorized changes in the work, Company will notify Authority in writing of its intention to claim such additional cost or Contract time. Company will give Authority the opportunity to keep strict account of actual cost and/or time associated with the claim. The failure to give proper notice as required herein will constitute a waiver of said claim.
- C. Written notice of intention to claim must be made within ten (10) days after Company first recognizes the condition giving rise to the claim or before the work begins on which Company bases the claim, whichever is earlier.
- D. When the work on which the claim for additional cost or Contract time is based has been completed, Company will, within ten (10) days, submit Company's written claim to Authority. Such claim by Company, and the fact that Authority has kept strict account of the actual cost and/or time associated with the claim, will not in any way be construed as proving or substantiating the validity of the claim.

- E. Pending final resolution of a claim, unless otherwise agreed in writing, Company will proceed diligently with performance of this Contract and maintain effective progress to complete the work within the time(s) set forth in this Contract.
- F. The making of final payment for this Contract may constitute a waiver of all claims by Authority except those arising from:
  - 1. Claims, security interests or encumbrances arising out of this Contract and unsettled;
  - 2. Failure of the work to comply with the requirements of this Contract;
  - 3. Terms of special warranties required by this Contract;
  - 4. Latent defects.

## 17.02 Resolution of Claims and Disputes

A. The following shall occur as a condition precedent to Authority review of a claim unless waived in writing by Authority.

First Meeting: Within five (5) days after a claim is submitted in writing, Company's representatives who have authority to resolve the dispute shall meet with Authority representatives who have authority to resolve the dispute in a good faith attempt to resolve the dispute. If a party intends to be accompanied at a meeting by legal counsel, the other party shall be given at least three (3) working days' notice of such and also may be accompanied by legal counsel. All negotiations pursuant to this clause are confidential and shall be treated as compromise and settlement negotiations for purposes of rules of evidence.

Second Meeting: If the First Meeting fails to resolve the dispute or if the parties fail to meet, a senior executive for Company and for Authority, neither of which have day to day Contract responsibilities, shall meet, within ten (10) days after a dispute occurs, in an attempt to resolve the dispute and any other identified disputes or any unresolved issues that may lead to dispute. Authority may invite other parties as necessary to this meeting. If a party intends to be accompanied at a meeting by legal counsel, the other party shall be given at least three (3) working days' notice of such and also may be accompanied by legal counsel. All negotiations pursuant to this clause are confidential and shall be treated as compromise and settlement negotiations for purposes of rules of evidence.

Following the First Meeting and the Second Meeting, Authority will review Company's claims and may (1) request additional information from Company which will be immediately provided to Authority, or (2) render a decision on all or part of

the claim in writing within twenty-one (21) days following the receipt of such claim or receipt of additional information requested.

If Authority decides that the work related to such claim should proceed regardless of Authority disposition of such claim, Authority will issue to Company a written directive to proceed. Company will proceed as instructed.

- B. Prior to the initiation of any litigation to resolve disputes between the Parties, the Parties will make a good faith effort to resolve any such disputes by negotiation between representatives with decision-making power. Following negotiations, as a condition precedent to litigation, the Parties will mediate any dispute with a mediator selected by Authority. Such mediation shall occur in Hillsborough County, Florida.
- C. Any action initiated by either Party associated with a claim or dispute will be brought in the Circuit Court in and for Hillsborough County, Florida.

#### **ARTICLE 18**

## **NON-EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS**

This Contract will not be construed to grant or authorize the granting of an exclusive right within the meaning of 49 USC 40103(e) or 49 USC 47107(a), as may be amended from time to time, and related regulations.

## **ARTICLE 19**

#### WAIVER OF CLAIMS

Company hereby waives any claim against the City of Tampa, Hillsborough County, State of Florida and Authority, and its officers, Board Members, agents, or employees, for loss of anticipated profits caused by any suit or proceedings directly or indirectly attacking the validity of this Contract or any part thereof, or by any judgment or award in any suit or proceeding declaring this Contract null, void, or voidable, or delaying the same, or any part hereof, from being carried out.

#### **ARTICLE 20**

## COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS, REGULATIONS, ORDINANCES, RULES

Company, its officers, employees, agents, subcontractors, or those under its control, will at all times comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, Authority Rules and Regulations, Policies, Standard Procedures, and Operating Directives as are now or may hereinafter be prescribed by Authority, all applicable health rules and regulations and other

mandates whether existing or as promulgated from time to time by the federal, state, or local government, or Authority including, but not limited to, permitted and restricted activities, security matters, parking, ingress and egress, environmental and storm water regulations and any other operational matters related to the operation of Airport. Company, its officers, employees, agents, subcontractors, and those under its control, will comply with safety, operational, or security measures required of Company or Authority by the Federal Government including but not limited to FAA or TSA. If Company, its officers, employees, agents, subcontractors or those under its control will fail or refuse to comply with said measures and such non-compliance results in a monetary penalty being assessed against Authority, then, in addition to any other remedies available to Authority, Company will be responsible and will reimburse Authority in the full amount of any such monetary penalty or other damages. This amount must be paid by Company within 15 days from the date of written notice.

#### ARTICLE 21

## COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES PUBLIC RECORDS LAW

IF COMPANY HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE COMPANY'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT (813) 870-8721, <u>ADMCENTRALRECORDS@TAMPAAIRPORT.COM</u>, HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY AVIATION AUTHORITY, P.O. BOX 22287, TAMPA FL 33622.

Company agrees in accordance with Florida Statute Section 119.0701 to comply with public records laws including the following:

- A. Keep and maintain public records required by Authority in order to perform the Services contemplated by this Contract.
- B. Upon request from Authority custodian of public records, provide Authority with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Fla. Stat. or as otherwise provided by law.
- C. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of this Contract Term and following completion of this Contract.
- D. Upon completion of this Contract, keep and maintain public records required by Authority to perform the Services. Company shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to

Authority, upon request from Authority custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of Authority.

#### **ARTICLE 22**

## **CONTRACT MADE IN FLORIDA**

This Contract has been made in and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. All duties, obligations and liabilities of Authority and Company related to this Contract are expressly set forth herein and this Contract can only be amended in writing and agreed to by both Parties.

#### **ARTICLE 23**

## NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

All notices or communications whether to Authority or to Company pursuant hereto will be deemed validly given, served, or delivered, upon receipt by the Party by hand delivery, or three (3) days after depositing such notice or communication in a postal receptacle, or one (1) day after depositing such notice or communication with a reputable overnight courier service, and addressed as follows:

## TO AUTHORITY:

(MAIL DELIVERY)

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY AVIATION AUTHORITY

TAMPA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

P.O. Box 22287

TAMPA, FLORIDA 33622-2287

ATTN: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

## TO COMPANY:

(MAIL DELIVERY)

**RSM US LLP** 

ONE SOUTH WACKER DRIVE

**SUITE 800** 

CHICAGO, IL 60606

ATTN: BRETT FRIEDMAN

## OR

(HAND DELIVERY)

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY AVIATION AUTHORITY

TAMPA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
4160 GEORGE J. BEAN PARKWAY

SUITE 2400, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

TAMPA, FLORIDA 33607-1470

ATTN: CHIFF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

(HAND DELIVERY)

**RSM US LLP** 

ONE SOUTH WACKER DRIVE

**SUITE 800** 

CHICAGO, IL 60606

ATTN: BRETT FRIEDMAN

RSM US LLP

or to such other address as either Party may designate in writing by notice to the other Party delivered in accordance with the provisions of this Article.

If notice is sent through a mail system, a verifiable tracking documentation such as a certified return receipt or overnight mail tracking receipt is required.

#### **ARTICLE 24**

## SUBORDINATION OF AGREEMENT

It is mutually understood and agreed that this Contract will be subordinate to the provisions of any existing or future agreement between Authority and the United States of America, its boards, agencies, commissions, and others, relative to the operation or maintenance of the Airport, the execution of which has been or may be required as a condition precedent to the expenditure of federal funds for the development of the Airport, and this Contract will be subordinate to the license or permit of entry which may be granted by the Secretary of Defense.

#### **ARTICLE 25**

## SUBORDINATION TO TRUST AGREEMENT

This Contract and all rights of Company hereunder are expressly subject and subordinate to the terms, covenants, conditions and provisions of any Trust Agreements or other debt instruments executed by Authority to secure bonds issued by, or other obligations of, Authority. The obligations of Company hereunder may be pledged, transferred, hypothecated, or assigned at any time by Authority to secure such obligations. Conflicts between the terms of this Contract and the provisions, covenants and requirements of the debt instruments mentioned above will be resolved in favor of the provisions, covenants and requirements of such debt instruments.

#### **ARTICLE 26**

## ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTING / SUBLEASING

Company will not assign, subcontract, sublease, or license this Contract without the prior written consent of Authority. Such consent may be withheld at the sole discretion of Authority. If assignment, subcontract, sublease, or license is approved, Company will be solely responsible for ensuring that its assignee, subcontractor, sublessee, or licensee perform pursuant to and in compliance with the terms of this Contract.

In no event will any approved assignment, subcontract, sublease, or license diminish Authority rights to enforce any and all provisions of this Contract.

Before any assignment, subcontract, sublease, or license becomes effective, the assignee, subcontractor, sublessee, or licensee will assume and agree by written instruments to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Contract during the remainder of the term. When seeking

consent to an assignment hereunder, Company will submit a fully executed original of the document or instrument of assignment to Authority.

#### **ARTICLE 27**

## **SECURITY BADGING**

Any employee of Company or any employee of its subcontractors or agents that require unescorted access to the Security Identification Display Area (SIDA) to perform work under this Contract will be badged with an Airport identification badge (Badge) provided by Authority ID Badging Department and will be subject to an FBI fingerprint-based criminal history records check (CHRC) and an annual Security Threat Assessment (STA). A Badge will not be issued to an individual until the results of the CHRC and the STA are completed and indicate that the applicant has not been convicted of a disqualifying criminal offense. If the CHRC or STA discloses a disqualifying criminal offense, the individual's badge application will be rejected. The costs of the CHRC and the annual STA will be paid by Company. These costs are subject to change without notice, and Company will be responsible for paying any increase in the costs. All badged employees of Company and its contractors or agents will comply with Authority regulations regarding the use and display of Badges.

For each Badge that is lost, stolen, unaccounted for, or not returned to Authority at the time of Badge expiration, employee termination, termination of this Contract, or upon written request by Authority, Company will be assessed a liquidated damage fee, not as a penalty but as liquidation of a reasonable portion of damages that will be incurred by Authority by failure of Company to notify Authority of each Badge that is lost, stolen, unaccounted for, or not returned to Authority. This liquidated damage fee will be paid by Company within ten (10) days from the date of invoice. The liquidated damage fee is subject to change without notice, and Company will be responsible for paying any increase in the liquidated damage fee. It is mutually agreed between the Parties that the assessment of the liquidated damage fee is reasonable. The Parties agree that the liquidated damages described in this paragraph are solely for the administrative burden of failure to return the Badge.

If any employee of Company is terminated or leaves Company's employment, Authority must be notified immediately, and the Badge must be returned to Authority promptly.

#### **ARTICLE 28**

## **VENUE**

Venue for any action brought pursuant to this Contract will be the County or Circuit Court in Hillsborough County, Florida, or in the Tampa Division of the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida.

## PROHIBITION AGAINST CONTRACTING WITH SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES

Company is required to complete Exhibit C, Scrutinized Company Certification, at the time this Contract is executed and to complete a new Exhibit C for each renewal option period, if any.

This Contract will be terminated in accordance with Florida Statute Section 287.135 if it is found that Company submitted a false Scrutinized Company Certification as provided in Florida Statute Section 287.135(5) or has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, is engaged in a boycott of Israel, or is engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria. The termination will be subject to the dollar amount limitations included in the respective Florida Statute.

## **ARTICLE 30**

## **RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES**

Company is and will be deemed to be an independent contractor and operator responsible to all parties for its respective acts or omissions, and Authority will in no way be responsible therefore.

## **ARTICLE 31**

## **RIGHT TO AMEND**

In the event that the United States Government including but not limited to the FAA and TSA, or its successors, Florida Department of Transportation, or its successors, or any other governmental agency requires modifications or changes in this Contract as a condition precedent to the granting of funds for the improvement of the Airport, Company agrees to consent to such amendments, modifications, revisions, supplements, or deletions of any of the terms, conditions, or requirements of this Contract as may be reasonably required to obtain such funds; provided, however, that in no event will Company be required, pursuant to this paragraph, to agree to an increase in the charges provided for hereunder.

#### **ARTICLE 32**

## TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE

Time is of the essence of this Contract.

## **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT**

Company will comply with the applicable requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act; the Florida Americans with Disabilities Accessibility Implementation Act; Florida Building Code, Florida Accessibility Code for Building Construction; and any similar or successor laws, ordinances, rules, standards, codes, guidelines, and regulations and will cooperate with Authority concerning the same subject matter.

## **ARTICLE 34**

## **FAA APPROVAL**

This Contract may be subject to approval of the FAA. If the FAA disapproves this Contract, it will become null and void, and both Parties will bear their own expenses relative to this Contract.

#### **ARTICLE 35**

## AGENT FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS

It is expressly agreed and understood that if Company is not a resident of the State of Florida, or is an association or partnership without a member or partner resident of said State, or is a foreign corporation, then in any such event Company does designate the Secretary of State, State of Florida, as its agent for the purpose of service of process in any court action between it and Authority arising out of or based upon this Contract, and the service will be made as provided by the laws of the State of Florida, for service upon a non-resident. It is further expressly agreed, covenanted, and stipulated that if for any reason service of such process is not possible, and Company does not have a duly noted resident agent for service of process, as an alternative method of service of process, Company may be personally served with such process out of this State, by the certified return receipt mailing of such complaint and process or other documents to Company at the address set out hereinafter in this Contract or in the event of a foreign address, deliver by Federal Express and that such service will constitute valid service upon Company as of the date of mailing and Company will have thirty (30) days from date of mailing to respond thereto. It is further expressly understood that Company hereby agrees to the process so served, submits to the jurisdiction of the state or federal courts located in Hillsborough County, Florida, and waives any and all obligation and protest thereto, any laws to the contrary notwithstanding.

## ARTICLE 36

## **INVALIDITY OF CLAUSES**

The invalidity of any part, portion, sentence, article, paragraph, provision, or clause of this Contract will not have the effect of invalidating any other part, portion, sentence, article,

paragraph, provision, or clause of this Contract, and the remainder of this Contract will be valid and enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law.

#### **ARTICLE 37**

## **SEVERABILITY**

If any provision in this Contract is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the validity of the other provisions of this Contract which are severable shall be unaffected.

#### **ARTICLE 38**

## **HEADINGS**

The headings contained herein, including the Table of Contents, are for convenience in reference and are not intended to define or limit the scope of any provisions of this Contract. If for any reason there is a conflict between content and headings, the content will control.

#### ARTICLE 39

## **COMPLETE CONTRACT**

This Contract, together with the Arrangement Letter, represents the complete understanding between the Parties, and any prior contracts, agreements or representations, whether written or verbal, are hereby superseded. This Contract may subsequently be amended only by written instrument signed by the Parties hereto, unless provided otherwise within the terms and conditions of this Contract.

#### **ARTICLE 40**

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

Wherever used, the singular will include the plural, the plural the singular, and the use of any gender will include both genders.

#### ARTICLE 41

## ORGANIZATION AND AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT

The undersigned representative of Company hereby warrants and certifies to Authority that Company is an organization in good standing in its state of registration, that it is authorized to do business in the State of Florida, and that the undersigned officer is authorized and empowered to bind the organization to the terms of this Contract by his or her signature thereto and neither

Company, its officers or any holders of more than five percent (5%) of the voting stock of Company have been found in violation of Florida Statute Section 287.133, concerning Criminal Activity on Contracts with Public Entities. If Company is a corporation whose shares are not regularly and publicly traded on a recognized stock exchange, Company represents that the ownership and power to vote the majority of its outstanding capital stock belongs to and is vested in the officer or officers executing this Contract.

#### **ARTICLE 42**

## **ORDER OF PRECEDENCE**

In the event of any conflict(s) among the Contract Documents, Company will present conflict for resolution to Authority. Any costs resulting from Authority resolution of the conflict shall be borne by Company.

## **ARTICLE 43**

## **CONTRACT CHANGES**

A change order or amendment is a written contract modification prepared by Authority and signed by both Parties hereto, stating their agreement upon all of the following, and without invalidating this Contract:

- a change in the Scope of Services, if any;
- 2. a change of the Contract amount, fees, hourly rates or other costs, if any;
- 3. a change of the basis of payment, if any;
- 4. a change in Contract time, if any; and
- 5. changes to the terms and conditions of this Contract including, but not limited to, the W/MBE or DBE percentage rate, if any.

## 43.01 Claim for Payment

Any claim for payment for changes in the Scope of Services that is not covered by written change order or amendment or other written instrument signed by the Parties hereto will be rejected by Authority. Company acknowledges and agrees that Company will not be entitled to payment for changes in the Scope of Services unless such revised Scope of Services is specifically authorized in writing by Authority in advance. The terms of this Article may not be waived by Authority unless such waiver is in writing and makes specific reference to this Article.

Changes in the Scope of Services will be performed under applicable provisions of the Contract Documents, and Company will proceed promptly, unless otherwise provided in the change order, amendment or other written instrument.

## 43.02 Right to Carry Out the Work or Services

If Company defaults or neglects to carry out the Scope of Services in accordance with the Contract Documents and fails within a seven day period after receipt of written Notice from Authority to begin and prosecute correction of such default or neglect with diligence and promptness, Authority may, without prejudice to other remedies Authority may have, correct such deficiencies. In such case an appropriate change order will be issued deducting from payments then or thereafter due Company the cost of correcting such deficiencies, including compensation for another company's or Authority's additional services and expenses made necessary by such default, neglect or failure. If payments then or thereafter due Company are not sufficient to cover such amounts, Company will pay the difference to Authority.

## **ARTICLE 44**

## PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

In no event shall this Contract, or any term contained herein, be applied, enforced, invoked or interpreted such as to render the performance of Services by Company hereunder to be a violation of professional standards or guidelines to which Company may be subject, including but not limited to, those of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA).

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ATTEST		HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY AVIATION AUTHORITY
ATTEST:		BY:
	Jane Castor, Secretary	Gary W. Harrod, Chairman
Address:	PO Box 22287 Tampa FL	Address: PO Box 22287 Tampa FL
WITNESS:	Signature	
	<b>.</b>	
-	Printed Name	
		Approved as to form for legal sufficiency:
		BY:  David Scott Knight, Assistant General Counsel
		David Scott Kliight, Assistant General Counsel
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#### **RSM US LLP**

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#### Exhibit A

#### Scope of Services

This Scope of Services details the type of Services and deliverables that may be requested by Authority from Company. Note: Authority does not guarantee any work.

#### A. Company Responsibilities

#### 1. Professional Services

#### **Annual Audit**

Company will perform an annual audit of the Authority for Fiscal Years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025 and any renewal options in accordance with the following:

- a. Generally Accepted Auditing Standards
- b. Governmental Auditing Standards
- c. The Single Audit Act, as amended
- d. OMB Circular A-133
- e. Passenger Facility Charge Audit Guide for Public Agencies
- f. The Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida
- g. Florida Single Audit Act, as amended
- h. Federal and Florida Statues, as applicable

#### 2. Deliverables

Company will complete the Annual Audit within fifteen (15) business days of all information being available to complete the Annual Audit.

The Company shall make a presentation of the Annual Audit findings and reports to the Authority's Audit Committee at a regularly scheduled meeting as soon as practicable following completion of the Annual Audit.

Company will provide an independent opinion as to whether the financial statements fairly present the financial position of the Authority in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Company will advise the Authority of any new audit or reporting standards that may apply to the Authority.

Company will provide the Authority with a management letter that includes comments on the Annual Audit and identifies any discrepancies in the Authorities reporting systems and internal control as a result of audit work performed.

Prior to June 1<sup>st</sup>, the Company will provide the Authority with a list of documents, files and schedules that are to be prepared by Authority staff prior to the commencement of the Annual Audit.

Company will exercise professional judgement to identify and assess the risks of material misstatements in the financial statements.

The Company shall review the Data Collection Form (Form SF-SAC) which is used to submit the single audit reporting package to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse in regards to Federal awards received by the Authority. The Company shall review the audited financial data for consistency and accuracy and shall assist the Authority with the electronic submission of the form to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse via the Internet Data Entry System (IDES). This assistance shall include the Company's certification transmitted electronically.

#### 3. Special Services

Company may be required to perform additional work, such as, but not limited to, review of preliminary official statements during the issuance of debt. The Authority does not guarantee any amount of additional work.

#### B. Authority Responsibilities

Upon request, Authority will provide Company with the following:

- Authority's financial statements and schedule preparation;
- 2. Preparation of appropriate supporting documentation; and
- 3. Working space, parking, internet access, telephone and copy machines during the Annual Audit.

#### C. Contacts

1. Authority's Contact Person

Authority's Vice President of Finance or designee will be responsible for notifying Company regarding required work and will be Company's primary contact for all Services required under this Contract.

#### 2. Company's Contacts

a. Principal Auditor
 Company has designated Brett Friedman as the Principal Auditor.

Audit Manager or Audit Senior Manager
 Company has designated Jeff Zeichner as the Audit Manager or Audit Senior Manager.

Company must not remove such Principal Auditor and/or Audit Manager or Audit Senior Manager from providing the Services contemplated by this Contract; provided, however, that the removal of such personnel due to their incapacity, voluntary termination, or termination due to just cause will not constitute a violation of this Contract. Authority will require that, at a minimum, any proposed replacement have equal or greater qualifications and experience as the Principal Auditor, Audit Manager, or Audit Senior Manager being replaced, as applicable. Company will not make any personnel changes of the Principal Auditor and/or Audit Manager or Audit Senior Manager until written notice is made to and approved by Authority Vice President of Finance or designee.

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# Exhibit B Financial External Audit Services Sample Work Order Hillsborough County Aviation Authority

#### RSM US LLP

1.	Work Ord	der No.:				
2.	Project T					
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3.		ation for Paymei se Order No.:	nt	<u>OR</u>	Purchasing Card	Number provided
					itered above or Purch k Order and prior to l	_
4.	Contract	Amount Summa	ary			
	Contrac	t Not-To-Exceed	Amount		\$	
	Total of	Previous Work	Order(s)	-	\$	
			Subtotal		\$	
	Amount of this Work Order		-	\$		
		Remaining Conf	tract Amount		\$	
5.		nformation				
	B. Pi	Project Description:				
	C. Pi	Project Scope of Work and Deliverables:				
	D. Pi	Project Number:				
6.	Schedule	and Costs				
	A. Pı	roject Schedule/	Timeline			
	Clearly outline the deliverables and the time it will take to complete each deliverable.			plete each		
		Task Number	Deliverable			Due Date
		1.				
		2.				

3.	
4.	
5.	

## B. Total Cost of ProjectProvide the costs in U.S. dollars.

Expenditure	Totals
<insert applicable="" terms=""></insert>	
Service Cost	
Hourly Rate <insert classification="" job=""></insert>	\$
Number of hours to complete project	Х
Total Service Cost	\$
Reimbursable Costs (as applicable)	
Data	\$
Printing	\$
Travel*	\$
Other:	\$
Other:	\$
Total Projected Reimbursable Cost	\$
Total Projected Project Cost	
(Service Cost and Reimbursable Costs)	\$

<sup>\*</sup>All travel related expenses must be in accordance with Authority Policy P412, Travel, Business Development, and Working Meals Expenses.

#### C. Reimbursable Costs:

Provide an explanation for all projected reimbursable costs listed in Item B above.

#### 7. Payment

<insert applicable method of payment based on project length and/or milestones or
deliverables>

#### <Projects one month and less>

Payment will be made in full upon completion of the project by Company and acceptance by Authority.

OR

#### <Projects 30 to 90 days>

Payment will be made in three installments of 25% of the total amount due at 30 days from commencement of services, 25% of the total amount due at 60 days from commencement of services, and the final 50% due upon full completion and acceptance of all deliverables by Authority.

OR

Payment will occur monthly based on timelogs and hours completed each month OR

#### <Projects exceeding 90 days>

Payment will be made in four equal installments at the 25%, 50% and 75% completion milestones with the final installment to be paid upon full completion and acceptance of all deliverables by Authority.

OR

Payment will occur monthly based on timelogs and hours completed each month

Company acknowledges the acceptance of this Work Order and has received a Purchase Order number or a PCard number.

Company: RSM US LLP Date:

Authorized Official:

Name: Title:

Signature:

Department: Finance Date:

Name: Title:

Signature: Title:

**Procurement Agent** 

cc: Central Records

## Exhibit C Scrutinized Company Certification

This certification is required pursuant to Florida Statute Section 287.135.

As of July 1, 2018, a company that, at the time of bidding or submitting a bid/response for a new contract/agreement or when entering into or renewing a contract/agreement for goods or services, is on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, created pursuant to Florida Statute Section 215.4725, or is engaged in a boycott of Israel, is ineligible for, and may not bid on, submit a proposal/response for, or enter into or renew a contract/agreement with an agency or local governmental entity for goods or services of any amount.

Additionally, as of July 1, 2018, a company that, at the time of bidding or submitting a bid/response for a new contract/agreement or when entering into or renewing a contract/agreement for goods or services, is on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, created pursuant to Florida Statute Section 215.473, or has been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, is ineligible for, and may not bid on, submit a proposal/response for, or enter into or renew a contract/agreement with an agency or local governmental entity for goods or services of \$1 million or more.

	FID or EIN		
Company:	No.:		
Address:			
City/State/Zip:			
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parent companies, or affiliates of with Activities in Sudan List, the So and is not engaged in business op services of \$1 million or more, subsidiaries, majority-owned subassociations, is not on the Scrutin	any, nor any of its wholly owned subsidiaries, majority-owned subsidiaries, such entities or business associations, is not on the Scrutinized Companies trutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, erations in Cuba or Syria if the resulting contract/agreement is for goods or and certify and affirm that this company, nor any of its wholly owned is idiaries, parent companies, or affiliates of such entities or business ized Companies that Boycott Israel List and is not engaged in a boycott of ement is for goods or services of any amount.		
I understand and agree that the Authority may immediately terminate this Contract upon written notice if the undersigned entity (or any of those related entities as set out above) are found to have submitted a false certification or any of the following occur with respect to the company or a related entity: (i) it has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, or is engaged in a boycott of Israel, or (ii) for any contract for goods or services of \$1 million or more, it has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or it is found to have been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria.			
SIGNATURE	TITLE		
PRINTED NAME	DATE		

## Exhibit D Authority Policy P412 Travel, Business Development, and Working Meals Expenses

**PURPOSE:** To establish a policy governing the authorization, approval and allowability of travel, business development, and working meals expenses incurred by Board members, the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), and Authority employees when conducting business on behalf of the Authority.

**LEGAL CONSIDERATION:** Subject to the provisions of applicable Florida Statutes, the Hillsborough County Aviation Authority Act authorizes the Authority to reimburse Board members, the Chief Executive Officer, and all Authority employees for all travel expenses incurred while on business for the Authority. The Hillsborough County Aviation Authority Act also authorizes the Authority to "[a]dvertise, promote and encourage the use and expansion of facilities under its jurisdiction" and do all acts and things necessary and convenient for promotion of the business of the Authority. Pursuant to Policy, the Authority is allowed to incur business development expenses for meals, beverages and entertainment in order to highlight the numerous advantages and world class facilities of the Authority's airport system and build relationships with airline executives, potential real estate partners, potential tenants and others.

#### **POLICY:**

#### **General**:

- A. All Authority travel, business development, and working meals expenses must provide benefit to the Authority. This Policy provides guidance covering key areas related to travel, business development, and working meals expenses. Additional guidance is provided in Authority Standard Procedure S412.01, Reconciliation and Reimbursement of Travel, Business Development, and Working Meals Expenses. All circumstances may not be specifically covered. In these instances, sound judgement should be used and reasonable documentation should be provided to support the circumstance and expense. Any exception to the practices outlined in this Policy will require written approval by the CEO or Executive Vice President (EVP) of Finance and Procurement and must be in compliance with applicable Florida Statutes.
- B. Employees may book their own flight and hotel reservations, or may utilize the Authority's corporate travel agency. In an effort to find the most economical lodging rates and airfare, the use of third party companies such as Expedia.com, Hotels.com and Travelocity.com may be considered. Other resources such as AirBNB.com, VRBO.com and HomeAway.com may also be used if determined to be the most economical option.
- C. All reservations (hotel, flight, conference, etc.) shall be booked as far in advance as Exhibit D, Authority Policy P412, Travel, Business Development, and Working Meals Expenses

possible to take advantage of discounted rates.

- D. If the traveler elects to arrive earlier or stay later than reasonably necessary to conduct the required Authority business, the traveler will be responsible for payment of all additional expenses beyond those incurred for Authority business. Reasonably necessary is defined as arriving at the destination no more than 24 hours prior to engaging in Authority business or commencing the return trip within the next day of engaging in Authority business.
- E. Purchases for travel, business development, and working meals should be made using Authority Purchasing Cards (PCard) in accordance with Authority Standard Procedure S410.25, Purchasing Cards. As an alternative, personal credit cards may be used, however, the expense will not be reimbursed until after the trip or event has occurred. The reimbursement request must be submitted within 30 days of the completion of the trip or event.
- F. All individuals traveling on behalf of the Authority may personally retain any points or other benefits generated from Authority travel (i.e frequent flyer mileage or awards from hotel frequent guest programs). However, participation in these programs should not influence airline and hotel selection resulting in higher cost to the Authority.

#### **Travel Expenses:**

- A. Travel Authorization and Approval:
  - Board members and Authority employees are authorized to attend training and/or conventions, conferences, board, and committee meetings of professional and/or trade organizations specific to their job requirements as well as other meetings, site visits, or events directly related to their position at the Authority. The CEO will approve the travel for those individuals reporting directly to the CEO. All other employee's travel will be approved by their EVP and/or appropriate level supervisor. Such approval must be made in advance of travel for all Authority employees under the Director level.
  - 2. Approval of eligible travel expenses is obtained during the expense submittal process as outlined in Authority Standard Procedure S412.01, Reconciliation and Reimbursement of Travel, Business Development, and Working Meals Expenses.
  - 3. The Authority expects employees to exercise sound prudent business practices when booking travel.
- B. Travel by Air Carrier:

- 1. Travelers are required to use Coach/Economy cabin fares unless otherwise indicated within this Policy. Factors such as time and productivity of the traveler, cost of transportation, per diem/subsistence costs, cancellation fees, and any additional costs (such as baggage fees) should be considered when making reservations.
- 2. If a Board member, the CEO, an EVP, or Vice President (VP) is scheduled to engage in Authority business within 24 hours of arriving at the destination, or commences the return trip within 24 hours of completing Authority business, he/she is permitted to book fares in business class or its equivalent. Business class or equivalent travel by other Authority employees must be approved in writing with justification in advance by the department EVP.
- 3. If the primary purpose of the trip is to visit a specific airline, it is acceptable to book a flight on that airline even if the airline does not offer the lowest fare available.
- 4. Miscellaneous airline fees including, but not limited to, seat reservation fees, early or preferred boarding, checked baggage fees, airline change fees, and in-flight internet expenses, are allowable if utilized for Authority purposes. Checked baggage fees will be limited to one checked bag, unless supported by adequate business justification.
- 5. In the event a flight must be changed for acceptable business reasons, applicable airline fees are allowable expenses under this Policy with adequate written justification.
- 6. In the event a flight is cancelled or delayed, the traveler may choose an alternate mode of transportation in accordance with this Policy.

#### C. Registration Fees:

The traveler is eligible to incur registration fees for meetings and conferences, as well as fees for attending events which are not included in the basic registration fee and that directly enhance the public purpose of the Authority's participation at the meeting or conference. Employee must provide business justification for attending the event.

#### D. Lodging:

Hotel or accommodation charges must be substantiated by an itemized receipt reflecting all charges for the entire stay. The traveler is expected to exercise his or her best judgment and reasonableness in the selection of lodging. The location of the hotel should be as convenient as possible to the place where the business of the Authority will be transacted and should be at the lowest appropriate rate.

Paid usage of hotel sponsored Wi-Fi or wired internet access is an authorized lodging expense.

Lodging expenses incurred within the Authority's Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) (as defined by the United States Office of Management and Budget, to include Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco and Pinellas Counties) are only authorized with adequate business justification and if approved in writing in advance by the CEO or the employee's EVP.

#### E. Meals (During Travel):

Meals within the continental United States will be reimbursed in accordance with the General Service Administration (GSA) meals rate in effect for the destination city on the date travel was initiated. If the destination is not included in the GSA destination guide, the GSA rate for the listed city that is closest to the destination city or county for the destination city will be used.

Meals for travel outside of the continental United States (including Hawaii, Alaska and Puerto Rico) will be reimbursed in accordance with the current rates as specified in the federal publication "Standardized Regulations (Government Civilians, Foreign Areas)".

For both domestic and international travel, the first and last day of travel are calculated at 75% of the rate in effect for the destination city. This excludes intermediate destinations on multi-city trips.

A traveler will not be reimbursed or receive per diem for meals included in a convention or conference registration unless reasonable written explanation is provided. A meal is considered to be any of the regular occasions in a day when a reasonably large amount of food is eaten, such as breakfast, lunch, or dinner. (Definition from Dictonary.com and Oxford University Press.) Continental breakfasts will not be considered a meal. Therefore, per diem will not be reduced for continental breakfasts. Additionally, per diem will not be reduced for meals provided by airlines.

Allowance for meals when travel is confined to the Authority's MSA is only authorized with adequate business justification and if approved in writing in advance by the CEO or the employee's EVP.

#### F. Ground Transportation:

Authorized ground transportation expenses include, but are not limited to, hired cars, trains, other fixed rail, shared ride services (such as Uber or Lyft), buses, and other modes of ground transportation required to enable the traveler to conduct Authority business. Travelers will use good judgement with regard to which mode of ground transportation is utilized, and

tickets should be purchased in the most economical class of service available unless there is an adequate business justification and is approved in writing in advance by the CEO or employee's EVP.

Allowance for ground transportation within the Authority's MSA is only authorized with adequate business justification and if approved in writing in advance by the CEO or the employee's EVP.

#### G. Other Travel Expenses:

Other eligible travel expenses as approved by the Florida Department of Financial Services pursuant to rules adopted by it include fees and tips given to porters, baggage carriers, bellhops or hotel maids, with the expense limited to \$1 per bag not to exceed a total of \$5 per incident; and actual laundry, dry cleaning and pressing expenses for official travel in excess of seven calendar days and where such expenses are necessarily incurred to complete the official business.

Eligible incidental expenses are defined by Florida Statute Section 112.061(8)(a) and include ferry fares, bridge, road, and tunnel tolls, storage or parking fees, and communication expenses.

Itemized receipts are required for all individual expenses that are higher than \$25.

#### H. Foreign exchange rates:

Eligible travel expenses include the difference between the official daily foreign exchange rate and the transaction rate, in addition to any applicable fees.

#### I. Travel by Rental Vehicle:

Board members, the CEO, EVPs and VPs are authorized to rent a vehicle if necessary to conduct Authority business, without advance approval. Utilization of a rental vehicle by all other Authority employees must be approved in advance of travel in writing by the CEO or the employee's EVP or VP.

Rental vehicles will be mid-size or smaller, unless three or more travelers are sharing the vehicle. Travelers will select the rental vehicle refueling option anticipated to be the most economical for the Authority.

The State of Florida contract for rental cars should be consulted for discounted rates. The State of Florida contract provides rental vehicle services to Florida's government agencies. A website link to the Rental Rates and Rental Procedures to utilize the State contract are located on the Authority Intranet.

Allowance for rental cars when travel is confined to the Authority's MSA is only authorized with adequate business justification and if approved in writing in advance by the CEO or the employee's EVP.

The Authority provides insurance coverage for both Automobile Liability and Collision Damage Waivers and will not reimburse a traveler for the cost of such coverage on a rental car contract for travel within the United States. (Exception: If the traveler rents a vehicle in a foreign country, he/she shall purchase both Automobile Liability and Collision Damage Waivers from the rental car company.)

J. Travel by Personal Vehicle:

Prior to utilizing a personal vehicle to conduct Authority business, all employees must comply with Authority Standard Procedure S250.05, Motor Vehicle Use – Personal or Authority-Owned.

Board members, the CEO, EVPs and VPs are authorized to use their personal vehicle if necessary to conduct Authority business, without advance approval. Except for travel within the State of Florida, utilization of a personal vehicle by all other Authority employees must be approved in advance of travel in writing by the employee's EVP or VP.

Mileage for authorized use of employee's personal vehicle will be at the Internal Revenue Service cents per mile rate in effect at the time of travel. Mileage reimbursement is calculated in accordance with Authority Standard Procedure S412.01, Reconciliation and Reimbursement of Travel, Business Development, and Working Meals Expenses.

Personal vehicles should not be used if the estimated mileage reimbursement is expected to exceed the cost of renting a car for the trip.

K. Travel by Third Parties Conducting Business on Behalf of the Authority:

Unless terms of travel are specified in their contracts, all consultants, design professionals, design-builders contractors, sub-consultants, and sub-contractors performing work for the Authority will be reimbursed for travel expenses in accordance with eligible cost elements as described above.

#### **Business Development Expenses:**

A. Business development meal, beverage (including alcoholic), and other expenses may be incurred locally or while traveling. Business development activities require meeting with non-Authority personnel. Employees may be reimbursed for actual, reasonable,

and appropriately documented expenses related to the business development activity.

- B. To qualify as business development, such an employee must (a) reasonably expect, and have as the primary motivation for the expenditure, that the Authority will derive revenue or another business benefit as a result of the business development activity; (b) incur the expense in a setting where the party being entertained would reasonably understand that the expenditure was for an Authority business objective; and (c) use the expenditure for the person from whom the Authority expects the business benefit, as well as for the employee and other Authority staff in attendance.
- C. Alcoholic beverage expenses may only be incurred at business development events related to meetings including non-Authority personnel from organizations from which the Authority is reasonably expected to derive revenue or another business benefit.
- D. The employee must provide detailed itemized receipts for all business development expenses larger than \$25 and must include rationale and business benefit for the Authority.

#### **Working Meals:**

- A. Expenditures for meals during business meetings between Authority employees or between Authority employees and individuals from outside organizations are allowable only (a) when there is a valid business need to have the meeting during a meal time (i.e., schedules will not accommodate the meeting at other times); (b) during periods of extended overtime (i.e. irregular operations, working on the budget or another major project); or (c) periodic department meetings (not more than quarterly), full-day or half-day Authority-wide meetings, or Authority strategic planning sessions.
- B. Business meals between Authority subordinates and supervisors will be infrequent and will occur only when there is no other time during which the meeting can be scheduled.
- C. Notwithstanding subparagraph B above, Executive staff, VPs, Directors and Managers may occasionally purchase meals for employees provided the meals are reasonable and for the purpose of conducting Authority business and/or employee recognition.
- D. Alcoholic beverages expenditures shall not be reimbursed or charged to the Authority under this section.
- E. Reasonable expenditures for meals with Board members are reimbursable provided there is a valid business need to have the meeting during a meal time.
- F. Working meals will be reimbursed upon presentation of appropriate documentation including a list of attendees.