COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE AND ZONING MAP UPDATE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)



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City of Rocklin—City Hall

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE CITY OF ROCKLIN COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE AND ZONING MAP UPDATE

1 SECTION I – OVERVIEW OF PROCESS

1.1 BACKGROUND

The Office of the City Manager invites proposals from qualified firms with expertise in zoning code preparation and updates to lead a process resulting in the preparation of a comprehensive update of the City's Zoning Ordinance and Map for the City, including any necessary environmental (CEQA) clearances. Proposals received through the RFP process will be reviewed by a selection committee comprised of City of Rocklin staff.

The City is seeking a firm to assist in updating Rocklin Municipal Code Title 17 (Zoning Ordinance) to incorporate additional Zoning documents (General Development Plans, etc.) as well as applicable legislation, while maintaining the historical level of regulation desired by the community. The City seeks to streamline and simplify its zoning districts and regulations. The Code should be delivered in an editable, consolidated, user-friendly format with tables and illustrative graphics that clearly communicate standards and regulations. The selected firm shall commit to participation by high-level professionals to ensure that all products are well-written and technically accurate. Completing the project within the specified time frame and budget is a key factor.

1.2 CITY OVERVIEW

The City of Rocklin is an incorporated city with a population of more than 70,000 residents, located in Placer County off of Interstate 80, approximately 22 miles northeast of Sacramento, California. The City of Rocklin is a General Law city operating under the City Council/City Manager form of government.

1.3 INSTRUCTIONS

This RFP includes a description of the scope of services, proposal requirements, and instructions for submitting your proposal. Failure to follow these instructions may result in rejection of your proposal.

No oral representations or interpretations will be made to any proposer as to the meaning of this RFP.

In the event that it becomes necessary to revise any part of this RFP, written addenda will be issued. Any amendment to this RFP is valid only if it is in writing and issued by the City department issuing the RFP. No oral interpretations or answers shall bind the City unless confirmed by the City in writing.

1.4 PURPOSE OF THE RFP

The City of Rocklin recently conducted an operational and organizational assessment of land use processes in the Community Development Department, which includes the Planning Division. The assessment included the evaluation of code and ordinance efficacy. The full assessment of the development review process assessment is available for reference and located on the City's website: <u>Community Development</u> <u>Department Organizational Assessment</u>.

Ultimately, it was recommended that the Planning Division rewrite the land use/zoning code with an eye to simplifying it and reducing the need for interpretations, and the City seeks to implement this recommendation. The Office of the City Manager is coordinating this project in collaboration with the Community Development Department/Planning Division.

The selected firm will complete a comprehensive code review and update that meets the policy objectives of the City while reducing complexity and ambiguity where possible. This effort should help streamline the entitlement process as a new code will better align the regulations with the type of development occurring in Rocklin and reduce the dependence on staff interpretations.

An updated Zoning Ordinance should maintain the overall intent but simplify the codification and layers or regulations. The Zoning Ordinance should reflect the nature of the City but organized in a way that promotes the clear identification of applicable codes.

1.5 RFP SCHEDULE

RFP Released by the City	December 18, 2023
Letter of Intent	January 19, 2024
Deadline for Final Questions	January 26, 2024
City Responses to Written Questions	February 9, 2024
Proposal Submission Deadline	. February 23, 2024 at 4:00 pm
Interviews as needed*	. Week of March 18, 2024
Contract Negotiations*	. Week of March 25, 2024
Council meeting to award contract*	April 23, 2024

*Dates may be adjusted as necessary.

1.6 SELECTION CRITERIA

The ideal firm will have experience in zoning code analysis, public participation and hearings, and environmental (CEQA) requirements and documentation. Greater detail about the selection process is in Section 3 of this RFP.

1.7 PROJECT BUDGET

Based on a review of recently completed zoning ordinance updates in other municipalities, the estimated budget for this project is between \$400,000 and \$500,000. The cost proposal (section 2.1.4)

will not be a determining factor in the identification of a preferred proposer. A preferred proposer will be identified based on factors that are discussed in Section 3 of this RFP. A proposer's cost proposal will be used only during contract negotiations.

1.8 SCOPE OF SERVICES

The comprehensive Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map update will including the following or similar objectives:

- Identification of City and department goals and priorities
- Review and analysis of existing ordinances, standards, and documents
- Preparation of a new comprehensive Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map
- Plan and conduct associated public outreach, public hearings, and related activities
- Prepare necessary environmental review and clearances in accordance with CEQA

A full Scope of Services can be found in Attachment 5.1.

1.9 DELIVERABLES

At the completion of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Update, the selected firm will be required to provide an Administrative Draft, Public Review Draft, Revised Public Review Draft, Final Draft for Planning Commission and City Council, and an Updated GIS compatible and Digital Zoning Map. A complete list of Deliverables can be found in the Scope of Services, attachment 5.1.

1.10 PROJECT SCHEDULE

The estimated timeframe for project completion from date awarded to submission of the Final Draft is 12 to 18 months. The City is open to considering alternative time frames. A comprehensive project schedule must be attached to the proposal.

1.11 LETTER OF INTENT TO RESPOND

All interested firms are required to submit a Letter of Intent to Respond. The deadline to submit the letter is January 19, 2024. Submitting a letter does not guarantee or replace the formal proposal process.

All written questions received about the RFP will be distributed in writing to all firms that submitted a Letter of Intent to Respond. Letters can be sent via mail or email to: <u>gabrielle.defarcy@rocklin.ca.us</u>

1.12 QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES

All questions and inquiries must be submitted via email to Gabrielle de Farcy, Associate Management Analyst at <u>gabrielle.defarcy@rocklin.ca.us</u>. The deadline to submit questions is January 26, 2024. One comprehensive response to all submitted questions will be distributed to all firms that submitted a Letter of Intent to Respond and will be posted on the City's website.

Do not contact other individuals or City departments in this regard. Information provided by anyone other than the above contact may be invalid and proposals which are submitted in accordance with such information may be declared non-responsive.

2 SECTION II – SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

2.1 PROPOSAL FORMAT REQUIREMENTS

Each response to this RFP shall include the information described in this section. Provide the information in the specified order. Failure to include all of the information specified may be cause for rejection. Additional information may be provided, but should be succinct and relevant to the goals of this RFP. Any additional information that a proposing firm wishes to include that is not specifically requested should be included in an appendix to the proposal.

Firms are encouraged to keep the proposals brief and to the point, but sufficiently detailed to allow evaluation of the project approach. Excessive information will not be considered favorably. Unauthorized conditions, omissions, limitations, or provisions attached to a proposal will render the proposal non-responsive and may cause its rejection.

The proposal should be bound or contained in a loose-leaf binder. Document pages shall be 8-1/2 inches by 11 inches in size or folded to such a size. Use section dividers, tabbed in accordance with the section as specified below.

The following items are required in the Proposal:

2.1.1 Cover Letter

The Cover Letter must include the following information:

- Title of this RFP
- Name and Mailing Address of Firm (include physical location if mailing address is a PO Box)
- Contact Person, Telephone Number, Fax Number, and Email Address
- A statement that the submitting Firm will perform the services and adhere to the requirements described in this RFP, including any addenda (reference the addenda by date and/or number).

2.1.2 Proposer's Certification

The attached Proposer's Certification (attachment 5.2) shall be executed by an official(s) legally authorized to bind the Firm which states that the proposal is valid for ninety (90) days. Note: This is ninety (90) days following the closing date for the receipt of all proposals.

Proposals submitted on behalf of a Partnership shall be signed in the firm name by a partner or the Attorney-in-Fact. If signed by the Attorney-in-Fact, there shall be attached to the proposal a Power-of-Attorney evidencing authority to sign proposals, dated the same date as the proposal and executed by all partners of the firm.

Proposals submitted on behalf of a Corporation shall have the correct corporate name thereon and the actual signature of the authorized officer of the corporation written (not typed) below the corporate

name. The title of the office held by the person signing for the corporation shall appear below the signature of the officer.

Proposals submitted on behalf of a Limited Liability Company ("LLC") shall be signed by the person or persons authorized to bind the LLC under the LLC's articles of organization.

Proposals submitted by an Individual Doing Business under a firm name ("dba") shall be signed in the name of the individual doing business under the proper firm name and style.

2.1.3 Proposal

SECTION A: **Firm's Qualifications** – Describe your experience and provide a statement of your firm's qualifications for performing the requested services. Provide a brief summary of the role, qualifications and experience of each team member and designated project manager/lead assigned to these services, including length of service with the firm and the qualifications/experience of any sub-contractor staff on your project team.

SECTION B: Experience and References – Provide a summary of your firm's experience in providing these or similar services. Provide a minimum of three (3) references for projects or services similar in nature and scope that your firm's team members have completed in the last five (5) years. Include brief descriptions of the projects, dates, client names and contact persons' names, addresses and telephone numbers. Include the contract amount, final cost, time to completion, and identify if the contract is active. Describe any other facets of the Firm's experience that are relevant to this proposal that warrants consideration.

SECTION C: Services Understanding – Based on the available information, supplemental research, field observations, and experience with similar services, provide a narrative describing your understanding of the services requested in this RFP, your general approach and any major challenges to achieving the City's stated goals. Include any issues that you believe will require special consideration. Also identify any unique approaches or strengths that your firm may have related to the services proposed. City staff will assess your understanding of all aspects of the services based on your narrative.

SECTION D: Project Timeline and Work Plan – Provide a timeline of project completion, including meetings, major milestones, and deliverable dates. Describe the Firm's process in zoning code preparation resulting in a comprehensive update of the City's Zoning Ordinance and Map for the City. Include a description of Firm's ability to meet the services requested in the Scope of Services Attachment 5.1. Provide a specific methodology that recommends and justifies the level of detail to be included in the proposal in response to the scope of services.

SECTION E: Required Statements/Documents – Include statements of assurance regarding the following requirements in the proposal:

• The absence of a conflict of interest. Consultants submitting a proposal must disclose any actual, apparent, direct or indirect, or potential conflicts of interest that may exist with respect to the firm, management, or employees of the firm relative to the services to be provided under the Agreement. Consultant must disclose any real or apparent conflict of interest associated with this project or with working for the City of Rocklin. <u>If a Consultant has no conflicts of interest, a statement to that effect shall be included in the Proposal.</u>

- Indicate your ability and agreement to fulfill the indemnification and insurance requirements contained in the sample contract. (Please note that actual certificates of insurance are not required as part of your submittal.)
- A statement that nothing contained in the submitted proposal will be proprietary.

SECTION F: Exceptions – Describe any and all proposed exceptions, alterations or amendments to the Scope of Services or other requirements of this RFP, including the Sample Contract (attachment 4.1). The nature and scope of your proposed exceptions may negatively affect the evaluation of your submittal and the City's determination of whether it is possible to successfully negotiate a contract with your firm.

SECTION G: Competency of Proposers – The City wants to ensure that the successful Firm has the necessary facilities, ability, experience, and financial resources to provide the services specified herein in a satisfactory and timely manner. Please list and explain any pending bankruptcies, liens, stop payment notices, judgments, lawsuits, arbitrations, mediations, foreclosures, and any similar actions filed or resolved in the past seven (7) years. Please indicate whether a client has ever terminated a contract with your firm for breach, and if so, please explain.

2.1.4 Cost Proposal

The cost proposal shall be submitted in a separate sealed envelope identified by the name of the firm and "Cost Proposal".

Provide an hourly rate schedule and total project cost, including any applicable prevailing wage rates, for all proposed services to be provided to the City, set forth by the position/title of the person performing the services. Define any reimbursable expenses requested to be paid by the City. Please separate any expenses related to CEQA review on the Cost Proposal.

Points will not be awarded toward the Firm selection based on the hourly rate schedule for proposed staff.

The cost proposal will remain sealed. Only when a firm has been selected will that firm's cost proposal be opened. The cost proposal will be used as a basis of negotiation for a professional services agreement with the highest ranked firms. The cost proposal may be used by the City to adjust its project budget prior to executing a professional services agreement. If an agreement is not completed with a firm, the next highest ranked firm will be given the opportunity to negotiate an agreement.

2.2 SUBMITTAL INSTRUCTIONS

Your submittal package shall include the following:

- Five (5) printed copies of your proposal not including the cost proposal; and
- One (1) electronic copy of your proposal, not including the cost proposal, in PDF format on flash drive or other electronic media
- One (1) cost proposal that shall be submitted in a separate sealed envelope identified by the name of the firm and "Cost Proposal"

Proposals shall be submitted not later than the time and date indicated on the cover page of this RFP. All submittals shall be submitted in a sealed envelope or container and clearly marked with the RFP title on the outside of the parcel.

Proposals shall be submitted ONLY to: City of Rocklin—City Hall Attention: Gabrielle de Farcy, Associate Management Analyst Office of the City Manager 3970 Rocklin Road, Rocklin, CA 95677 Faxed and/or emailed proposals will not be accepted.

The City shall not be responsible for proposals delivered to a person or location other than that specified herein. Postmarks will not be accepted and proposals received after the deadline date and time will not be accepted or considered. No exceptions. The City reserves the right to waive minor defects and/or irregularities in proposals, and shall be the sole judge of the materiality of any such defect or irregularity. All costs associated with proposal preparation shall be borne by the proposer.

3 SECTION III – EVALUATION OF RESPONSES

3.1 SELECTION PROCESS

Award of the RFP shall be made to the responsible proposer(s) whose proposal is determined, through a formal evaluation panel process, to be the most advantageous to the City after the evaluation panel has taken into consideration the evaluation factors set forth in the RFP. Proposals shall be scored according to the criteria stated in the RFP section 3.2.

Proposals submitted will be reviewed by a selection committee. Firms that have submitted the best and most complete proposals may be invited to an interview. The number of Firms that may be invited to an interview may vary depending upon the number of proposals submitted.

Should the City elect to conduct interviews with any proposers, the following criteria shall be considered and each proposer ranked by the evaluation panel during the interview process: a) Communication Style, b) Experience/ Quality, c) Ability to meet the City's required services.

One or more Firms may be selected. The City reserves the right to make a selection after review of the proposals without oral interviews; therefore, the proposal should be submitted initially on the most favorable terms that the Firm might propose.

Contracts will be negotiated with the Firm(s) considered best meeting the City's need for this project. In the event a mutually satisfactory contract cannot be negotiated with one of the City's choices, negotiations may be terminated.

The selected Firm will be required to execute a City prepared contract as provided in Attachment 4.1. The contract may further refine the scope of services and will provide for the terms and conditions of employment.

The award of any contract is expressly contingent upon City approval and the availability of funds. City staff may not legally bind the City to a contract.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, or to waive minor irregularities in said proposals, or to negotiate minor deviations with the successful Firm(s). In the case of differences between written words and figures in a proposal, the amount stated in written words shall govern. In the case of a difference in unit price versus the extended figure, the unit price shall govern.

The City reserves the right to seek clarification on any or all proposal submittals to ensure the RFP specifications are met. Proposals may be rejected from any proposer who does not comply with the City's request for clarification.

Once a decision has been made to award the contract, then a formal notice of the intent to award to the recommended proposer shall be made by the Department.

A City of Rocklin business license as well as all applicable permits, licenses and certifications required by local, state or federal law are required before the award of contract.

3.2 EXAMINATION OF PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS

The following evaluation criteria and rating schedule will be used to determine the most highly qualified firm(s):

Evaluation Criteria	Weight
Experience and qualifications of firm (per Section 2.1.3, A & B)	50%
Understanding of the Services Proposed – Proposed Services Plan (per Section 2.1.3, C & D)	35%
Completeness of proposal and any supporting documents	15%

Each candidate submitting a response to this Request for Proposals acknowledges and agrees that the preparation of all materials for submittal to the City and all presentations, related costs and travel expenses are at the candidate's sole expense. In addition, each Firm acknowledges and agrees that all

documentation and/or materials submitted in response to this request shall remain the property of the City.

The City also reserves the right to waive any informality in any proposal and to delete certain items listed in the proposal as set forth therein. The selection committee will make a recommendation to the approving authority.

4 SECTION IV – LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

4.1 SAMPLE CONTRACT

CONTRACT FOR SERVICES

THIS CONTRACT is made on ______, by and between the CITY OF ROCKLIN a municipal corporation ("City"), and [] "Contractor," who mutually agree as follows:

1. SCOPE OF SERVICES

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement, Contractor shall provide to the City the services described in the Scope of Work, Exhibit A. Contractor shall provide the services at the time, place and in the manner specified in Exhibits A and/or B. Contractor shall not be compensated for services outside the scope of Exhibit A unless prior to the commencement of the services: (a) Contractor notifies the City and City agrees the services are outside the scope of Exhibit A; (b) Contractor estimates the additional compensation required for these additional services; and (c) City after notice, approves in writing a supplemental agreement specifying the additional services and the amount of compensation therefore. City shall have no obligation whatsoever under this agreement or any supplemental agreement, unless and until the agreement or supplemental agreement is approved by the City Manager, the City Manager's authorized designee, or by the Rocklin City Council, as required by the Rocklin Municipal Code or other local law or policy.

2. COMPENSATION

A. The City shall pay Contractor for the services rendered pursuant to this agreement at the times and in the manner set forth in the Scope of Services, Exhibit A, the Schedule for Performance, Exhibit B, and in accordance with the Schedule of Fees in Exhibit C, but in no event shall the total compensation exceed the **total sum of \$[]**. The payments specified in Exhibits A and/or B shall be the only payments to be made to Contractor for the services rendered pursuant to this Agreement unless pursuant to Section 1, above, City approves additional compensation for additional services.

B. Contractor shall furnish City with invoices for all expenses as well as for all materials authorized by this Contract. The invoices shall be submitted with the monthly billings. Reimbursable expenses shall be limited to actual expenditures of Contractor for expenses that are necessary for the proper completion of the services and shall only be payable if specifically authorized in advance by City.

C. Contractor shall submit all billings/invoices for services to City in the manner specified in Exhibit B. Contractor's fees shall be as specified in the Scope of Work, Exhibit A or the Schedule of Fees as set forth in Exhibit C. All invoices submitted by Contractor shall contain the following information:

(1) Job/project name or description;

(2) City's current purchase order and/or work order number (if applicable);

(3) Contractor's invoice number;

(4) Date of invoice issuance;

(5) Description of services billed under invoice, including the description of tasks performed and the corresponding rate charged for the completion of that task;

- (6) Amount of invoice, itemizing all authorized reimbursable expenses; and
- (7) Total billed to date under agreement.

D. City shall make payment to Contractor net 30 days from receipt of an acceptable invoice. If Contractor's performance is not in conformity with the Scope of Work, Exhibit A, or the Schedule of Performance, Exhibit B, or the provisions set forth above, payments may be delayed or denied, unless the Contractor's failure to perform is a documented result of the City's failure to conform with the Schedule of Performance, or if the Schedule of Performance is extended pursuant to Section 4. City shall not be responsible for delays in payment to Contractor resulting from Contractor's failure to comply with the invoice format described above, or as set forth in the Schedule of Performance.

E. During performance of the agreement and for a period of three (3) years after completing all services, Contractor shall maintain all accounting and financial records related to this Agreement, including but not limited to records of Contractor's costs for all services performed under this agreement and records of Contractor's reimbursable expenses, in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices, and shall keep and make the records available for inspection and audit by representatives of the City upon reasonable written notice.

F. Contractor shall pay when and as due, any and all taxes incurred as a result of Contractor's compensation hereunder, including estimated taxes, and shall provide City with proof of payment upon request. Contractor hereby agrees to indemnify City for any claims, losses, costs, fees, liabilities, damages or injuries suffered by City arising out of Contractor's breach of this section.

3. FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

Contractor shall at its sole cost and expense, furnish all facilities and equipment that may be required for Contractor to perform services pursuant to this agreement. City shall furnish to Contractor, only the facilities and equipment listed in Exhibit A (if any) according to any terms and conditions set forth in Exhibit A.

4. TERM OF CONTRACT

A. This agreement shall become effective on the date that it is approved by both parties, set forth on the first page of the agreement and shall continue in effect until [] unless sooner terminated as provided herein.

B. The services of Contractor are to commence upon execution of this Contract and shall be undertaken and completed in accordance with the Schedule of Performance attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as **Exhibit B**.

5. SUSPENSION/TERMINATION:

A. City shall have the right at any time to temporarily suspend Contractor's performance hereunder, in whole or in part, by giving written notice of suspension to Contractor. If City gives such notice, Contractor shall immediately suspend its activities under this agreement.

B. This Contract may be terminated by either party, provided that the other party is given not less than **thirty (30)** calendar days' written notice (delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested) of intent to terminate. If the agreement is terminated by the City:

- i. Contractor shall immediately cease rendering services pursuant to this agreement;
- ii. Contractor shall, not later than five days after such notice of termination, deliver to City copies of all information prepared pursuant to this agreement;
- iii. City shall pay Contractor the reasonable value of services rendered by Contractor prior to termination; provided however, City shall not in any manner be liable for lost profits that might have been made by Contractor had the agreement not been terminated or had Contractor completed the services required by this agreement. Contractor shall furnish to City such financial information as in the judgment of the City is necessary for City to determine the reasonable value of the services rendered by Contractor. The foregoing is cumulative and does not affect any right or remedy that city may have in law or equity.

C. Notwithstanding any provisions of this Contract, Contractor shall not be relieved of liability to the City for damages sustained by the City by virtue of any breach of this Contract by Contractor, and the City may withhold any payments due to Contractor until such time as the exact amount of damages, if any, due the City from Contractor is determined.

6. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Contractor enters into this Contract as an independent contractor and not as an employee or agent of the City. Contractor shall have no power or authority by this Contract to act on behalf of City in any capacity whatsoever as an agent, or to bind the City in any respect or to any obligations whatsoever. Nothing in this Contract shall be construed to be inconsistent with this relationship or status. All employees, agents, contractors or subcontractors hired or retained by the Contractor are employees, agents, contractors or subcontractors of the Contractor and not of the City. The City shall not be obligated in any way to pay any wage claims or other claims made against Contractor by any such employees, agents, contractors or subcontractors, or any other person resulting from performance of this agreement.

7. AMENDMENTS, CHANGES OR MODIFICATIONS

Amendments, changes or modifications in the terms of this Contract may be made at any time by mutual written agreement between the parties hereto and shall be signed by the persons authorized to bind the parties hereto.

8. EXTENSIONS OF TIME

Contractor may, for good cause, request extensions of time to perform the services required hereunder. Such extensions shall be authorized in advance by the City in writing and shall be incorporated in written amendments to this Contract or the attached Work Program in the manner provided in Section 7.

9. **PROPERTY OF CITY**

It is mutually agreed that all materials prepared by the Contractor under this Contract shall become the property of the City, and the Contractor shall have no property right therein whatsoever. Immediately upon termination, the City shall be entitled to, and the Contractor shall deliver to the City, all data, drawings, specifications, reports, estimates, summaries and other such materials as may have been prepared or accumulated to date by the Contractor in performing this Contract which is not Contractor's privileged information, as defined by law, or Contractor's personnel information, along with all other property belonging exclusively to the City which is in the Contractor's possession.

10. COMPLIANCE WITH ALL LAWS:

Contractor shall keep itself fully informed of, shall observe and comply with, and shall cause any and all persons, firms or corporations employed by it or under its control to observe and comply with, all applicable laws, ordinances, and codes of federal, State and local governments, which in any manner affect those engaged or employed on the work described by this Contract or the materials used or which in any way affect the conduct of the work, and shall commit no trespass on any public or private property in performing any of the work authorized by this Contract.

For all leases and purchases of materials, equipment, supplies or other tangible personal property used to perform the agreement and shipped from outside California, the Contractor and any subcontractors leasing or purchasing such materials, equipment, supplies or other tangible personal property shall obtain a Use Tax Direct Payment Permit or Seller's Permit from the California State Board of Equalization, in accordance with the applicable SBE criteria and requirements. This provision applies in all instances unless prohibited by the funding source for the agreement.

11. WARRANTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES - CONTRACTOR

A. Contractor agrees and represents that it is qualified to properly provide the services set forth in **Exhibit** "**A**" in a manner which is consistent with the generally accepted standards of Contractor's profession.

B. Contractor is duly licensed, qualified and experienced to perform the services set forth in the Scope of Services, Exhibit A. Contractor represents and warrants that Contractor has all licenses, permits, qualifications and approvals of whatsoever nature that are legally required for Contractor to practice its profession or provide any services under this agreement. Contractor represents and warrants that Contractor shall, at its sole cost and expense, keep in effect or obtain at all times during the term of this agreement, any licenses, permits and approvals that are legally required for Contractor to practice its profession or provide such services. If Contractor is an out of state corporation, Contractor further warrants and represents that it possesses a valid certification of qualification to transact business in the State of California issued by the California Secretary of State.

C. Contractor shall perform all services required pursuant to this agreement in the manner and according to the standards currently observed by a competent practitioner of Contractor's profession in California. Contractor shall devote such time and effort to the performance of services pursuant to this agreement as is necessary for the satisfactory and timely performance of Contractor's obligations under this agreement. Neither party shall be considered in default of this agreement to the extent that party's performance is prevented or delayed by any cause that is beyond the reasonable control of that party.

D. All products of whatsoever nature that Contractor delivers to City pursuant to this Agreement shall be prepared in a professional manner and conform to the standards of quality normally observed by a person currently practicing in Contractor's profession, and shall be provided in accordance with any scope of services or schedule of performance specified in Exhibits A or B.

E. Contractor shall assign only competent personnel to perform services pursuant to this agreement. Contractor shall designate a project manager who at all times shall represent the Contractor before the City on all matters relating to this Contract. The project manager shall continue in such capacity unless and until he or she is removed at the request of the City, is no longer employed by Contractor, or is replaced with the written approval of the City, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. Contractor shall notify City in writing, of any other changes in Contractor's staff assigned to perform the services required under this agreement, prior to any such performance. In the event the City desires the removal of any person assigned by Contractor to perform services pursuant to this agreement, because the City in its sole discretion, determines that such person is not performing in accordance with the standards required herein, Contractor shall remove such person immediately upon receiving notice from the City of the desire for the removal of such person.

F. Contractor agrees and represents that the work performed under this Contract shall be in accordance with applicable federal, State and local law.

G. Contractor shall provide corrective services without charge to the City for services which fail to meet the above professional and legal standards and which are reported to Contractor in writing within sixty (60) days of discovery. Should Contractor fail or refuse to perform promptly its obligations, the City may render or undertake performance thereof and the Contractor agrees it has satisfied itself by its own investigation and research regarding the conditions affecting the work to be done and labor and materials needed, and that its decision to execute this agreement is based on such independent investigation and research. Contractor shall be liable for any expenses thereby incurred.

12. SUBCONTRACTING

None of the services covered by this Contract shall be subcontracted without the prior written consent of the City, which will not be unreasonably withheld. Contractor shall be as fully responsible to the City for the negligent acts and omissions of its contractors and subcontractors,

and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by them, as it is for the negligent acts and omissions of persons directly employed by Contractor.

13. ASSIGNABILITY

Contractor shall not assign or transfer any interest in this Contract whether by assignment or novation, without the prior written consent of the City. The City has a strong interest in the qualifications and capability of the persons and entities that will fulfill the obligations imposed on Contractor under this agreement. However, claims for money due or to become due Contractor from the City under this Contract may be assigned to a financial institution, or to a trustee in bankruptcy, without such approval. Notice of any assignment or transfer whether voluntary or involuntary shall be furnished promptly to the City.

14. INTEREST IN CONTRACT

Contractor covenants that neither it, nor any of its employees, agents, contractors, or subcontractors has any interest, nor shall they acquire any interest, direct or indirect, in the subject of the Contract, nor any other interest which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of its services hereunder. Contractor shall make all disclosures required by the City's conflict of interest code in accordance with the category designated by the City, unless the City Manager determines in writing that Contractor's duties are more limited in scope than is warranted by the category designated by the City code and that a narrower disclosure category should apply. Contractor also agrees to make disclosure in compliance with the City conflict of interest code if, at any time after the execution of this Contract, City determines and notifies Contractor in writing that Contractor's duties under this Contract warrant greater disclosure by Contractor than was originally contemplated. Contractor shall make disclosures in the time, place and manner set forth in the conflict of interest code and as directed by the City.

15. MATERIALS CONFIDENTIAL

To the extent permitted by law, all of the materials prepared or assembled by Contractor pursuant to performance of this Contract are confidential and Contractor agrees that they shall not be made available to any individual or organization without the prior written approval of the City, except by court order.

16. LIABILITY OF CONTRACTOR-NEGLIGENCE

Contractor shall be responsible for performing the work under this Contract in a manner which is consistent with the generally-accepted standards of the Contractor's profession and shall be liable for its own negligence and the negligent acts of its employees, agents, contractors and subcontractors. The City shall have no right of control over the manner in which the work is to be done but only as to its outcome, and shall not be charged with the responsibility of preventing risk to Contractor or its employees, agents, contractors or subcontractors.

17. INDEMNITY AND LITIGATION COSTS

To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall hold harmless, defend at its own expense, and indemnify the City, its officers, officials, agents, employees and volunteers against any and all claims, damages, demands, liability, costs, losses and expenses, including without limitation court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees, arising from all acts or omissions of Contractor, or its officers, agents or employees in rendering services under this Agreement; excluding however, such liability, claims, losses, damages or expenses arising from the City's sole negligence, or willful acts. The provisions of this paragraph shall survive termination or suspension of this Contract. These Indemnification provisions are independent of and shall not in any way be limited by the Insurance requirements of this agreement. City approval of the Insurance required by this Agreement does not in any way relieve the Contractor from liability under this section.

18. CONTRACTOR TO PROVIDE INSURANCE

Contractor agrees to have and maintain the policies set forth below, against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the Contractor, its agents, representatives, or employees. All policies, endorsements, certificates, and/or binders shall be subject to approval by the City as to form and content. A lapse in any required insurance coverage during this Agreement shall be a breach of this Agreement.

A. MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMIT OF INSURANCE

1. **Commercial General Liability (CGL)**: Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than **\$2,000,000** per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location (ISO CG 25 03 or 25 04) or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.

2. **Automobile Liability:** Insurance Services Office Form Number CA 00 01 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, covering hired (Code 8) and non-owned autos (Code 9), with limit no less than **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury and property damage.

3. **Workers' Compensation** as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury or disease. If Contractor has no employees, Contractor must notify City if an employee is hired, verify proof of coverage for any subcontractors, and agrees to hold City harmless and defend City from claims arising from failure to provide workers' compensation benefits.

4. **Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions)**: Insurance appropriate to the Contractor's profession, with limit no less than **\$2,000,000** per occurrence or claim, **\$2,000,000** aggregate. Professional liability coverage shall extend for at least five years after completion of the Contractor's services under this Agreement.

If the Contractor maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown above, the City requires and shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or the higher limits maintained by the contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the City.

B. OTHER INSURANCE PROVISIONS

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

1. **Additional Insured Status**. The City, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or both CG 20 10, CG 20 26, CG 20 33, or CG 20 38; and CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used).

2. **Primary Coverage**. For any claims related to this contract, the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance coverage at least as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13 as respects the City, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the City, its officers, officials, employees or volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

3. **Notice of Cancellation**. Each insurance policy required above shall provide that coverage shall not be canceled, except with 30 days' notice to the City, with ten days' for notice of cancellation due to non-payment.

4. *Waiver of Subrogation*. Contractor hereby grants to City a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Contractor may acquire against the City by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the City has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

5. **Self-Insured Retentions**. Self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the City. The City may require the Contractor to purchase coverage with a lower retention or provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention. The policy language shall provide, or be endorsed to provide, that the self-insured retention may be satisfied by either the named insured or City.

6. **Acceptability of Insurers**. Insurance is to be placed with insurers authorized to conduct business in the state with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the City.

7. *Claims Made Policies*. If any of the required policies for professional liability insurance provide claims-made coverage:

i. The Retroactive Date must be shown and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.

- ii. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of the contract of work.
- iii. If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claims-made policy form with a Retroactive Date prior to the contract effective date, the Contractor must purchase "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of contract work.

8. **Verification of Coverage**. Contractor shall furnish the City with original Certificate of Insurance including all required amendatory endorsements (or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this clause) and a copy of the Declarations and Endorsement Page of the CGL policy listing all policy endorsements to the City before work begins. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The City reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.

9. **Subcontractors.** Contractor shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein, and Contractor shall ensure that City is an additional insured on insurance required from subcontractors.

10. **Special Risks or Circumstances.** City reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

19. GENERAL/MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS:

A. **Contract Documents**. This agreement and its exhibits shall be known as the "Contract Documents." Terms set forth in any Contract Document shall be deemed to be incorporated in all Contract Documents as if set forth in full therein. In the event of conflict between terms contained in these Contract Documents, the more specific term shall control. If any portion of the Contract Documents shall be in conflict with any other portion, provisions contained in the Contract shall govern over conflicting provisions contained in the exhibits to the Contract. In the event of any conflict between the terms or conditions of this written agreement and any terms or conditions of any document prepared or provided by Contractor and made a part of this agreement, including without limitation any document relating to the scope of services or payment therefor, the written terms of this document shall control over those terms or conditions.

B. **Non-Discrimination in Employment and Equal Employment Opportunity**. Contractor shall not engage in unlawful employment discrimination. Such unlawful employment discrimination includes, but is not limited to, employment discrimination based upon a person's race, color, ancestry, national origin, religious creed, sex (including pregnancy, childbirth breastfeeding or related medical condition), sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression and age (over 40), disability (mental and physical), medical condition, marital status, citizenship, and military and veteran status.

C. **Inspection of Records**. Contractor shall maintain and make available for inspection by the City and its auditors accurate records of all of its costs, disbursements and receipts with respect to any work under this Contract. Such inspections may be made during regular office hours at any time until six (6) months after the final payments under this Contract are made to the Contractor.

D. **Entire Agreement**. This Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the parties relative to the services specified herein and supersedes whatever oral or written understanding they may have had prior to the execution of this agreement. No alteration or modification of this agreement shall be valid or effective unless and until such modification is evidenced by a writing signed by both parties to this Contract, by persons authorized to act on behalf of the parties. There are no understandings, agreements, conditions, representations, warranties or promises, with respect to this Contract, except those contained in or referred to in the writing.

E. **Severability**. If any portion of this agreement or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this agreement shall not be affected thereby and shall be enforced to the greatest extent permitted by law.

F. **Waiver**. Neither City's acceptance of, or payment for, any service performed by Contractor, nor any waiver by either party of any default, breach, or condition precedent, shall be construed as a waiver of any provision of this agreement, nor as a waiver of any other default, breach or condition precedent or any other right hereunder.

G. Notice. All notices that are required to be given by one party to the other under this Contract shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given if delivered personally or enclosed in a properly addressed envelope and deposited in a United States Post Office for delivery by registered or certified mail addressed to the parties at the following addresses:

City of Rocklin City: City of Rocklin Office of the City Attorney 3970 Rocklin Road Rocklin, CA 95677 Contractor:

H. **Enforcement of Agreement.** This Contract shall be interpreted, governed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of California. Venue of any action arising out of this Contract shall be brought and maintained in Placer County California, regardless of where else venue may lie. The parties consent to jurisdiction over their persons and over the subject matter of any such litigation in such court, and consent to service of process issued by such courts.

I. **Attorney's Fees**. In any action brought by either party to enforce the terms of this Contract, each party shall bear responsibility for its attorney's fees and all costs regardless of whether one party is determined to be the prevailing party.

J. **Power and Authority to Enter into Agreement**. All parties to this Agreement warrant and represent that they have the power and authority to enter into this Agreement in the names, titles, and capacities herein stated and on behalf of any entities, persons, or firms represented or purported to be represented by such entity(ies), person(s), or firm(s) and that all formal requirements necessary or required by any state and/or federal law in order to enter into this Agreement, Agreement have been fully complied with. Furthermore, by entering into this Agreement, Contractor hereby warrants that it shall not have breached the terms or conditions of any other contract or Agreement to which Contractor is obligated, which breach would have a material effect hereon.

K. **Counterparts**; **Electronic Signatures**. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and all of which when taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument. The words "execution," "signed," "signature," and words of like import in this Agreement or in any other certificate, agreement or document related to this Agreement, shall include digital electronic signatures (DocuSign). The use of digital electronic signatures and electronic records (including, without limitation, any contract or other record created, generated, sent, communicated, received, or stored by electronic means) shall be of the same legal effect, validity and enforceability as a manually executed signature or use of a paper-based record-keeping system to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law.

L. **Exhibits**. All exhibits referred to herein and attached hereto, are by this reference incorporated as if set forth fully herein.

CONTRACTOR

By:

[] [Name, Title]

By:

[Name, Title]

CITY OF ROCKLIN

By:

Aly Zimmermann, City Manager

ATTEST:

By: _____ Haley Reid, Acting City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: ______ Daniel Cucchi, Interim City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

Contractor Proposal/Scope of Work

EXHIBIT B

Schedule of Performance

EXHIBIT C

Schedule of Fees

EXHIBIT ____

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH LABOR CODE § 3700 [Labor Code § 1861]

I am aware of the provisions of Section 3700 of the Labor Code which require every employer to be insured against liability for workers' compensation or to undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of that code, and I will comply with such provisions before commencing the performance of the work of this contract.

CONTRACTOR
By:[Title]

5 SECTION V – LIST OF EXHIBITS

5.1 SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Firm shall work closely with staff within the City Manager's Office and the Planning Division of the Community Development Department to gain an understanding of the goals and priorities for the update, review existing materials, and facilitate public outreach and public hearings to provide an updated Zoning Ordinance and Map. The City will designate a project manager or primary staff contact for the duration of the Zoning Ordinance update.

<u>Proposed Tasks.</u> Firm shall perform the Services and complete below tasks within 12 to 18 months of contract award. The City is open to considering alternative time frames.

1. Kick-Off Meeting

- Hold a meeting with key City staff to discuss parameters, potential questions and needs, scope of service objectives, next steps, and draft schedule.
- Provide the City with a list of needs to support activities.
- Schedule regular working sessions with staff throughout the project to discuss ideas and seek direction and track tasks.
 - → Deliverables. Meeting agenda, minutes, revised schedule based on discussion, and revised work plan, if necessary.

2. Identify Goals and Priorities for the Update

- With assistance from City staff, identify goals and priorities, and develop an approach to updating the City's Zoning Ordinance and Map. Recommended City priorities include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - Reflect applicable State legislation as it applies to land use
 - Logically organized ordinance with a user-friendly index.
 - Fewer zoning categories that are more broadly defined.
 - Ordinance provisions that are easily understood by all users (e.g. simplify legalistic language).
 - Standards and processes that incentivize (re)development in certain parts of the City.
 - o Protections of stable residential communities from incompatible development.
 - An ordinance that reflects contemporary best practices, especially in areas expected to see significant development or impacts of development (e.g. sustainability, renewable energy, etc.).
 - $\circ~$ An ordinance that incorporates current development and economic practices within the City.
 - Conduct adequate public input into project reviews.
 - Incorporate use tables to clearly identify setbacks, height restrictions, use, parking requirements, etc.
 - Authorize planning staff to make more decisions on minor permits and approvals based on objective criteria and conditions in the zoning code. This

may be through a formal process through a zoning hearing officer or designated zoning administrator at the staff level.

- Consolidate the ordinance into as few zones as possible, reduce and/or eliminate planned development zones, architectural districts, overlay zones, and special requirements to the extent possible.
- \circ $\;$ Incorporate graphics into the zoning ordinance versus text heavy.
- \circ $% \left({{\left({{{\left({{{\left({{{\left({{{\left({{{c}}} \right.} \right)}} \right.} \right.}} \right)}_{0,0}}}} \right)} \right)$ Include a strong interactive ordinance that is easily navigable in the digital environment.
- Develop a frequently asked questions page for users.
 - \rightarrow Deliverables. Goals and Priorities Memorandum.
- 3. <u>Review and Analysis of Existing Ordinances, Standards, Documents, and State Legislation</u>
 - Review key policies and development standards including, but not limited to, the following:
 - o <u>City of Rocklin Municipal Code Title 17 Zoning</u>
 - <u>City of Rocklin General Plan</u> (October 2012)
 - o Housing Element 2021-2029 (Adopted August 2021)
 - o <u>Major Planned Development Areas</u>
 - o <u>Minor General Development Plans</u>
 - o <u>Overlay Zones</u>
 - Planning Division Interpretations, Determinations, and Policies Document
 - o <u>Other Miscellaneous Zoning Publications</u> (on and offline)
 - Optional tour of the community with City staff.
 - Prepare a proposed outline laying out the recommended format, content, and organization of the updated Zoning Ordinance.
 - Recommend approach and strategies to updating the City's Zoning Ordinance and Map in a manner that addresses those initial City policy priorities that are reflected in the implementing policies of the General Plan, Major and Minor Development Areas and adhere to the priorities and goals.

 \rightarrow Deliverables. Review, Analysis, and Recommendations Memorandum and Outline of the updated Zoning Code.

- 4. Public Outreach and Hearings
 - In consultation with staff, determine a public outreach strategy designed to inform community stakeholders, the Planning Commission, City Council, and the public on the updated Zoning Ordinance. May include scoping meetings and/or workshops with the Planning Commission and/or City Council if recommended.
 - May include supplemental public workshops with digital participation from the public through surveys and/or polling devices, employing digital communications, computing, and visualization.
 - Provide assessment tools to create, compare, and communicate the benefits and drawbacks of alternative zoning choices.
 - Prepare periodic key public updates for the City's website and social media platforms to keep the public apprised and facilitate responses.

- Firm shall provide all outreach materials to the City for posting on its website, subject to prior staff review and approval.
- Participate in and attend adoption hearings before the Planning Commission and City Council, including assistance with preparation and/or review of staff reports.

→ Deliverables. Public Outreach and Participation Plan, Project Update Memorandums, Outreach Materials, Preparation and/or Review of Adoption Hearing Staff Reports.

5. Draft Zoning Ordinance

- Prepare draft comprehensive update of the City's Zoning Ordinance incorporating goals and public input.
- Address and consolidate the following matters:
 - City of Rocklin Municipal Code Title 17 Zoning
 - o Architectural Review Districts
 - Planning Division Interpretations, Determinations, and Policies Document
 - o Development Standards (including the City's Objective Design Standards)
 - Standards and guidelines should be clearly identified as such, separately provided, and appropriate use clarified
 - General Development Plans
 - o Other information as may be identified
- Revise drafts as necessary incorporating changes resulting from the hearing process and public outreach.
- The Public Review Drafts and Final Draft are to be fully formatted and contain a range of graphics, diagrams, tables, and charts that complement and supplement the Code.
- Coordinate closely with the City's Project Manager as the draft advances from Administrative Draft to Public Review Draft and to Final Draft.
- Once the Final Draft has been approved by the City Council, the Firm shall provide a final version that includes any changes approved by Council within 30 days.
- Firm will provide training to staff on use of the updated Zoning Ordinance

 \rightarrow Deliverables. Administrative Draft, Public Review Draft, Revised Public Review Draft, Final Draft for Planning Commission and City Council

6. Zoning Map Revisions

- Work with City staff to identify areas that will require map changes.
- Zoning map changes may be required to simplify and reduce the number of zoning districts and match the land use changes adopted by the General Plan.
- Zoning map to be provided in digital format and compatible with GIS
 - \rightarrow Deliverables. Updated GIS compatible and Digital Zoning Map.
- 7. Environmental Review/CEQA Documentation
 - Identify the appropriate CEQA document necessary for adoption of the updated Zoning Ordinance.

- The Firm should include the recommended CEQA tasks as an additional task. Firms may partner with an environmental sub-consultant if they do not have the expertise in-house.
 - \rightarrow Deliverables. Initial Draft and Final Draft of the CEQA document.

5.2 PROPOSER'S CERTIFICATION

PROPOSER'S CERTIFICATION

I hereby propose to furnish the services specified in the Request for Proposals ("RFP"). I agree that my proposal will remain firm for a period of up to ninety (90) days in order to allow the City of Rocklin ("City") adequate time to evaluate the qualifications submitted.

I have carefully examined the Request for Proposals and any other documents accompanying or made a part of this RFP. The information contained in this proposal is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and is signed under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California. I further certify that I am duly authorized to submit this proposal on behalf of the firm as its authorized agent and that the firm is ready, willing and able to perform if awarded the contract.

I further certify that this proposal is made without prior understanding, agreement, connection, discussion, or conspiracy with any other person, firm or corporation submitting a proposal for the same product or service; that this proposal is fair and made without outside control, collusion, fraud or illegal action; that no officer, employee or agent of the City or any other proposer is financially interested in said proposal; that no undue influence or pressure was used against or in concert with any officer, employee or agent of the Same or terms of the contract that will be executed as a result of this RFP; and that the undersigned executed this Proposer's Certification with full knowledge and understanding of the matters therein contained and was duly authorized to do so.

NAME OF BUSINESS
SIGNATURE
NAME & TITLE, TYPED OR PRINTED
MAILING ADDRESS
TELEPHONE NUMBER
EMAIL
Type of Organization:
Sole Proprietorship Corporation State of Incorporation
Partnership Limited Liability Company