

**Office of Hawaiian Affairs**  
**GENERAL CONDITIONS**  
**(NON-GRANT GOODS AND SERVICES)**  
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## **1. COORDINATION AND REPORTS**

The work performed under this Contract shall be coordinated with OHA's "head of purchasing agency" or Designee as listed in the Scope of Services (Attachment - S1) hereinafter referred to as "Coordinator", who will act as the contract monitor and principal liaison between the CONTRACTOR and OHA and who will assist in resolving policy questions, expediting decisions, and the review of the work performed.

It shall be the responsibility of the CONTRACTOR to maintain close and frequent communication with the Coordinator at all stages of the work required under this Contract. The CONTRACTOR shall inform the Coordinator of all scheduled contacts made by the CONTRACTOR with public agencies or individuals on matters relating to work performed under this Contract.

The CONTRACTOR shall submit to the Coordinator upon request written progress reports on the performance of services, expenditure reports, and/or any other information required by Coordinator. The CONTRACTOR shall submit these reports in the appropriate formats and within the deadlines specified by the Coordinator.

The CONTRACTOR may be requested to discuss any work or reports with OHA's Board of Trustees or Chief Executive Officer.

## **2. RECORDS MAINTENANCE, RETENTION, AND ACCESS**

The CONTRACTOR shall, in accordance with generally acceptable accounting practices, maintain fiscal records and supporting documents and related files, papers and reports that adequately reflect all direct and indirect expenditures and management and fiscal practices related to the CONTRACTOR's performance of services under this Contract. OHA, the comptroller of the State of Hawai'i, and any of its authorized representatives, the committees (and their staff) of the Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, and the Legislative Auditor of the State of Hawai'i shall have the right of access to any book, document, paper, file or other record of the CONTRACTOR (and of any of its subcontractors) that is related to the performance of services under this Contract in order to conduct an audit or other examination or to make excerpts and transcripts for the purposes of monitoring and evaluating the CONTRACTOR's performance of services and the CONTRACTOR's program, management and fiscal practices to assure the proper and effective expenditure of funds under this Contract.

The right of access shall not be limited to the required retention period but shall last as long as the records are retained. The CONTRACTOR shall retain all records related to the CONTRACTOR's performance of services under this Contract at least THREE (3) years after the date of submission of the CONTRACTOR's final expenditure report, except that if any litigation, claim, negotiation, investigation, audit or other action involving the records has been started before the expiration of the THREE (3) year period, the CONTRACTOR shall retain the

records until completion of the action and resolution of all issues that arise from it, or until the end of the regular three-year retention period, whichever occurs later.

### **3. ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT TERMS**

All costs and expenses shall be actual reasonable ordinary necessary costs and/or expenses incurred in conjunction with the services provided under SCOPE OF SERVICES herein and shall be approved by the Coordinator. The Coordinator's approval shall also be required prior to the CONTRACTOR incurring any exceptional costs and/or expenses.

Should inter-island or out-of-state travel be required, the CONTRACTOR shall obtain advance written approval from the Coordinator for such travel. Travel shall be by the most economical means consistent with time available and the urgency of the trip. Travel accommodations (airfare, subsistence and lodging) shall be reasonable considering all relevant circumstances. The CONTRACTOR shall be entitled to reimbursement for air fare and stipend for meals and lodging at a rate not to exceed the current per diem rates afforded State employees for similar type travel and shall be uniform and equitable for all travelers in all cases. Subject to the approval of the Coordinator, other necessary reasonable expenses which meet certain stipulated conditions which OHA shall make known to the CONTRACTOR and are supported by receipts issued in the normal course of business may be allowed in addition to airfare and stipend. The CONTRACTOR shall submit a written reimbursement request, certified by the CONTRACTOR to be the actual travel costs and expenses incurred in conjunction with the Scope of Services herein, to the Coordinator for Coordinator's review and approval. Each reimbursement request shall be accompanied by original receipts/invoices evidencing the actual expenditures incurred for which reimbursement is being claimed. Photocopies or faxed copies of receipts or invoices may be acceptable in exceptional circumstances when properly justified in writing. Credit card receipts are unacceptable for purposes of reimbursement herein.

Fees shall be payable as described in this section with incremental payments and final payment to be made upon presentment of original invoices specifying to the satisfaction of OHA's Coordinator, who is identified in Scope of Services (Attachment - S1) of this Contract, the amount due and owing and certifying that the services requested under the Contract have been satisfactorily performed in conformance with this Contract. Each invoice shall include a detailed breakdown of the CONTRACTOR's time charges attributable to the particular billing period and shall be accompanied by a written activity report as required by OHA identifying the type of work activities, tasks, and/or work product completed. Original receipts evidencing actual costs and expenditures shall accompany each monthly invoice presented for payment whenever possible. Expenditure details and related original receipts for any travel shall be for actual travel expenses incurred and shall also accompany monthly invoices presented for payment.

All payments shall be made in accordance with and subject to Chapter 40, HRS, which specifies the accounting procedures and controls applicable to payments out of the Treasury of

the State of Hawai‘i. Final payment in final settlement of this Contract shall be subject to §103-53 and 103D-328, Hawai‘i Revised Statutes (HRS), as amended, respectively which requires a tax clearance from the Director of Taxation, State of Hawai‘i, stating that all delinquent taxes, if any levied or accrued under state statutes against the CONTRACTOR has been paid.

Upon termination of this Contract, payments under this section shall cease, provided however, that the CONTRACTOR shall be entitled to payments for work performed prior to the date of termination, provided hereinafter, and for which the CONTRACTOR has not yet been paid.

#### **4. OTHER CONDITIONS OF USE OF FUNDS**

The CONTRACTOR shall not use any funds involved in this Contract for purposes of entertainment or perquisites and shall comply with any and all conditions applicable to the funds to be paid under this Contract, including those conditions made applicable by provisions of appropriation acts of the Legislature or by administrative rules adopted pursuant to law.

#### **5. RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACCURACY, COMPLETENESS, AND ADEQUACY**

The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible and accountable for accuracy, completeness, clarity, and adequacy of the work performed including work performed by agents and employees and any subcontractors the CONTRACTOR may retain with OHA’s approval. The CONTRACTOR agrees to perform the work in a professional manner with a professional attitude that shall involve a personal desire to place the OHA’s interest above other considerations and to accept the professional responsibility for the services to be rendered.

#### **6. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS AND RESPONSIBILITIES, INCLUDING TAX RESPONSIBILITIES**

In the performance of the services required under this Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall be an “independent contractor” with the authority to control and direct the performance and details of the work and services required under this Contract; however, OHA shall have a general right to inspect the work in progress to determine whether, in OHA's opinion, the services are being performed by the CONTRACTOR in accordance with the provisions of this Contract. The CONTRACTOR shall insure that all person(s) hired or used by the CONTRACTOR as agents and employees are experienced and fully qualified to engage in the activity and services in which they participate. The CONTRACTOR’s agents and employees shall also be bound by the provisions of this Contract. At the request of OHA, the CONTRACTOR shall provide adequate evidence that such persons are the CONTRACTOR’s agents or employees.

Any work under this Contract shall not be construed as employment with OHA and shall not entitle the CONTRACTOR or the CONTRACTOR’s agents and employees to vacation, sick leave, retirement, or other benefits afforded OHA employees.

The CONTRACTOR shall insure that all applicable licensing and operating requirements of the State, Federal, City and County governments and all applicable accreditation and other standards of quality generally accepted in the field of the CONTRACTOR's business activities are complied with and satisfactorily met.

The CONTRACTOR shall also be responsible for payment of all applicable federal, state, city and county taxes and fees which may become due and owing by the CONTRACTOR by reason of this Contract, including but not limited to, (i) income taxes, (ii) employment related fees, assessments, and taxes, and (iii) general excise taxes. The CONTRACTOR also is responsible for obtaining all licenses, permits, and certificates that may be required in order to perform this Contract.

The CONTRACTOR shall also be responsible for securing all employee-related insurance coverage for the CONTRACTOR and the CONTRACTOR's employees and agents that is or may be required by law, and for payment of all premiums, costs, and other liabilities associated with securing the insurance coverage.

The CONTRACTOR shall obtain a general excise tax license from the Department of Taxation, State of Hawai'i, in accordance with section 237-9, HRS, and shall comply with all requirements thereof. The CONTRACTOR shall obtain a tax clearance certificate from the Director of Taxation, State of Hawai'i, and the Internal Revenue Service, U. S. Department of the Treasury, showing that all delinquent taxes, if any, levied or accrued under state law and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, against the CONTRACTOR have been paid and submit the same to OHA prior to commencing any performance under this Contract. The CONTRACTOR shall also be solely responsible for meeting all requirements necessary to obtain the tax clearance certificate required for final payment under sections 103-53 and 103D-328, HRS, and paragraph 3 of these General Conditions.

The CONTRACTOR shall also obtain a certificate of compliance issued by the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, State of Hawai'i and a certificate of good standing issued by the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, State of Hawai'i, in accordance with section 103D-310, HRS, and section 3-122-112, Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR), respectively, that is current within six months (two months for final payment) of the date of issuance.

In lieu of the above certificates from the Department of Taxation, the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, and the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, the CONTRACTOR may submit proof of compliance through the State Procurement Office's designated certification process, Hawai'i Compliance Express.

## **7. SUBCONTRACTS AND ASSIGNMENTS**

The CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract, assign, or transfer any right, title, interest, duties or obligations or any services to be performed under this Contract, in whole or in part,

without prior written consent and approval of OHA. OHA may condition any consent and approval upon such terms and provisions that OHA may deem necessary. Furthermore, no assignment of claims for money due or to become due to the CONTRACTOR under this Contract shall be effective unless such assignment is first approved by OHA.

## **8. INDEMNIFICATION AND INJURIES**

The CONTRACTOR shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless OHA, its Trustees, officers, employees and agents, from and against any and all liability, loss, damage, cost, expense, including all attorneys' fees, claims, suits, demands and judgments arising, either directly or indirectly, out of or resulting from the errors, omissions or acts of CONTRACTOR or CONTRACTOR's officers, employees, agents or subcontractors occurring during or in connection with the performance of CONTRACTOR's services under this Contract. Furthermore, nothing herein contained shall excuse the CONTRACTOR from compliance with any State, Federal or County law, rule, regulation, or ordinance. The provisions of this paragraph shall remain in full force and effect notwithstanding the expiration or early termination of this Contract.

The CONTRACTOR intentionally, voluntarily, and knowingly assumes the sole and entire liability for any of its agents and employees, and to third parties for all loss, cost, damage, or injury caused, either directly or indirectly, by CONTRACTOR or CONTRACTOR's agents and employees in the course of their employment.

The CONTRACTOR waives any rights to recovery from OHA for any injuries that the CONTRACTOR or CONTRACTOR's employees or agents may sustain while performing services under this Contract and that are a result of the negligence of CONTRACTOR or CONTRACTOR's employees or agents.

Should OHA, without any fault on its part, be made a party to any litigation commenced by or against the CONTRACTOR, the CONTRACTOR shall, in connection with this Contract, pay all costs and expenses incurred by or imposed on OHA, including attorneys' fees.

## **9. INSURANCE**

A. **INSURANCE REQUIREMENT:** At all times during the term of this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect, any and all insurance to cover CONTRACTOR's operations under this Contract that may be required under all applicable federal, state, and city laws and ordinances including, but not limited to, worker's compensation coverage, commercial general liability insurance, and automobile liability insurance coverage.

Prior to commencing work pursuant to this Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall provide evidence that the CONTRACTOR has in full force and effect the following policies:

1. Commercial Liability Insurance: The CONTRACTOR shall maintain commercial general liability (CGL) and if necessary commercial umbrella insurance with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence and \$ 2,000,000.00 general aggregate. OHA shall be included as an insured under the CGL, using ISO additional insured endorsement CG 20 10 (or equivalent), and under the commercial umbrella, if any. Policy shall be an "Occurrence" form of policy, unless otherwise specifically approved by OHA.

2. Automobile Liability Insurance: Automobile Liability Policy shall have a combined single limit of \$1,000,000.00 for each accident or equivalent and shall cover owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles.

3. Workmen's Compensation Coverage: Policy shall include coverage required by State of Hawai'i and include Part B coverage as follows: Employers Liability with limits of \$100,000.00 for each accident, \$500,000.00 disease policy limit, and \$100,000.00 disease policy limit per employee.

4. Professional Liability Insurance: CONTRACTOR shall maintain professional liability insurance (PU) with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence and \$2,000,000.00 general aggregate which shall provide coverage for losses as a result of the CONTRACTOR's negligent acts, errors or omissions.

5. Other insurance as required by OHA.

B. OTHER TERMS. All policies of insurance described above shall:

1. Name the State of Hawai'i, OHA and its Trustees, OHA's employees, representatives and agents as Additional Insureds, by endorsement.

2. Provide that the insurance is Primary with respect to all insureds for claims arising out of the CONTRACTOR's negligent acts and/or omissions or misconduct, and that any insurance (or self-insurance) carried by OHA or the State of Hawai'i shall be excess and non-contributing.

3. Be provided by insurers authorized to do business in the State of Hawai'i, and with a current Best's rating of not less than A-VII, or otherwise as approved by OHA.

C. EVIDENCE OF INSURANCE: The CONTRACTOR shall provide to OHA and maintain current certificates of insurance, prepared by a duly authorized agent, and copies of the policies, evidencing the insurance in effect at all times during the term of this Contract. OHA shall be listed as the Certificate Holder on all such certificates.

D. NOTICE OF CANCELLATION: The CONTRACTOR, through its insurance broker, will provide OHA with THIRTY (30) days written notice prior to cancellation, termination, lapse, non-renewal or material change to the insurance policy.

E. Should any of the insurance required above be cancelled before the CONTRACTOR's work under this Contract is complete as determined by OHA, the CONTRACTOR shall immediately procure replacement insurance that complies in all respects to the requirements of this section.

F. Nothing in the insurance requirements of this Contract shall be construed as limiting the extent of CONTRACTOR's responsibility for payment of damages resulting from its operations under this Contract including the CONTRACTOR's separate and independent duty to defend, indemnify, and hold OHA, its Trustees, officers, employees and agents harmless pursuant to other provisions of this Contract.

#### **10. CONFIDENTIALITY OF MATERIAL**

Any information, data, report, record or material given to or prepared or assembled by CONTRACTOR under this Contract shall be confidential and shall not be made available to any individual or organization by CONTRACTOR without prior written approval of OHA. This shall also include requests tendered to CONTRACTOR by individuals and organizations pursuant to Chapter 92F, Uniform Information Practices Act, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, as amended; provided however, that such documents that are otherwise by law made public, shall not be subject to this provision. In addition, no information data, report, record or material given to or prepared or assembled by CONTRACTOR shall be used by the CONTRACTOR for his or her personal gain and/or for any other purposes, except those purposes explicitly stated in this Contract. A violation of this Section shall be a material violation of this Contract.

If it appears that CONTRACTOR has disclosed (or has threatened to disclose) information and or has used such information for purposes in violation of this Contract, OHA shall be entitled to an injunction to restrain CONTRACTOR from disclosing and/or using, in whole or in part, such information, or from providing any services to any party to whom such information has been disclosed or may be disclosed. OHA shall not be prohibited by this provision from pursuing other remedies, including a claim for losses and damages.

The confidentiality provisions of this Contract shall remain in full force and effect after termination of this Contract.

#### **11. CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND DISCLOSURE**

The CONTRACTOR represents that the CONTRACTOR or any employee or agent of the CONTRACTOR presently has no interest and/or has no interest in another company, corporation, partnership, joint venture, organization, or entity of similar type and nature, direct or indirect, that would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of the services under



this Contract. The CONTRACTOR promises that he/she shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, that would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of the services under this Contract.

The CONTRACTOR is required to disclose any outside activities or interests, including ownership or participation in any activity that conflict or may conflict with the best interest of OHA. Prompt disclosure is required under this section if the activity or interest is related, directly or indirectly, to any activity that the CONTRACTOR may be involved with on behalf of OHA.

The conflict of interest/disclosure provisions of this Contract shall remain in full force and effect for the entire duration of this Contract and/or extensions under this Contract.

## **12. RETURN OF RECORDS/PROPERTY OF OHA**

Upon expiration or termination of this Contract, as provided hereinafter, the CONTRACTOR shall deliver and/or surrender all finished or unfinished documents, reports, summaries, lists, charts, graphs, maps, records, notes, data, memorandum, photographs, photographic negatives, videos, or other materials prepared by the CONTRACTOR and any discoveries, inventions or developments produced in whole or in part under this Contract (which shall become OHA's property) together with all information, data, reports, records, maps, and other materials provided to the CONTRACTOR by OHA, to OHA on or before the expiration date or date of sooner termination. OHA shall have complete ownership of all material, both finished and unfinished that is developed, prepared, assembled, or conceived by the CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Contract, and all such material shall be considered "works made for hire." OHA, in its sole discretion, shall have the exclusive right to copyright any product, concept, or material developed, prepared, assembled, or conceived by the CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Contract. The CONTRACTOR shall not be required, however, to deliver or surrender any licenses to proprietary software used in CONTRACTOR's normal course of business.

## **13. DISPUTES**

Disputes shall be resolved in accordance with section 103D-703, HRS, and chapter 3-126, HAR, as the same may be amended from time to time. To the extent not inconsistent with the above, the CONTRACTOR and OHA also agree to the following.

NEGOTIATION. In the event of any dispute, claim, question, or disagreement arising out of or relating to this Contract or the breach, termination, or validity thereof, OHA and the CONTRACTOR agree to use their best efforts to settle such dispute, claim, question, or disagreement. To this effect, upon notice of the dispute, claim, question or disagreement, OHA and the CONTRACTOR agree to consult and negotiate with each other in good faith to reach a just and mutually satisfactory solution.

**MEDIATION.** If OHA and the CONTRACTOR do not reach a negotiated solution within TWENTY-ONE (21) days of written notice of the dispute, claim, question or disagreement, OHA and the CONTRACTOR agree next to try in good faith to settle the dispute by mediation before resorting to arbitration. The mediation shall be administered by a mediator mutually agreed upon by OHA and the CONTRACTOR in accordance with the Dispute Prevention and Resolution, Inc., Mediation Rules and Guidelines.

**ARBITRATION.** Thereafter, any unresolved dispute, claim, question or disagreement arising out of or relating to this Contract (including whether such dispute, claim, question or disagreement is arbitral), or breach, termination or validity thereof, shall be settled by binding arbitration before one arbitrator, and judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. The arbitration shall be administered and conducted in accordance with the Dispute Prevention and Resolution, Inc., Arbitration Rules and Guidelines in effect at the time a request for arbitration of the dispute is made. A decision and award of the arbitration made under the said rules shall be exclusive, final, and binding upon all parties, their agents, employees, successors, and assigns. The costs and expenses of the arbitration shall be borne equally by the parties. Pending final decision of a dispute hereunder, the CONTRACTOR shall proceed diligently with the performance of services under this Contract. The selection of the arbitrator shall be mutually agreed to by OHA and the CONTRACTOR. OHA and the CONTRACTOR understand that by choosing arbitration for its dispute, OHA and CONTRACTOR are waiving its right to trial by jury.

The negotiation, mediation, or arbitration shall be conducted in Honolulu, Hawai'i.

#### **14. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT**

If, for cause, the CONTRACTOR fails to satisfactorily fulfill in a timely and proper manner the CONTRACTOR's obligation under this Contract or breaches any promises, terms or conditions of this Contract and having been given reasonable notice of an opportunity to cure any such default and not having taken satisfactory corrective action with the time specified by OHA, OHA shall have the right to terminate this Contract by giving written notice to the CONTRACTOR of such termination at least SEVEN (7) calendar days before the effective date of such termination. The particular acts which shall constitute cause and justify termination include but are not limited to poor performance, disloyalty or self-dealing, disclosure of confidential information, or other acts of similar kind and nature. Furthermore, OHA may terminate this Contract in whole or in part, for the convenience of OHA without statement of cause at any time by giving written notice to the CONTRACTOR of such termination and the effective date of the termination.

In the final settlement of this Contract, OHA shall determine the amount of unexpended and unobligated funds to be refunded to OHA by the CONTRACTOR. If the termination is for cause, any other provision to the contrary notwithstanding, the

CONTRACTOR shall not be relieved of liability to OHA for damages sustained because of any breach of this Contract by the CONTRACTOR.

**15. WAIVER OF VIOLATIONS**

It is expressly understood and agreed that no waiver granted by OHA on account of any violation of any promise, term, or condition of this Contract shall constitute or be construed in any manner as a waiver of the promise, term, or condition or of the right to enforce the same as to any other or further violation.

**16. SEVERABILITY**

If any provision of this Contract shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the remaining provisions shall continue to be valid and enforceable. If a court finds that any provision of this Contract is invalid or unenforceable, but that by limiting such provision it would become valid and enforceable, then such provision shall be deemed to be written, construed and enforced as so limited.

**17. WAIVER OF CONTRACTUAL RIGHT**

The failure of either party to enforce, or the granting of a waiver of, any provision of this Contract shall not be construed as a waiver or limitation of that party's right to subsequently enforce and compel strict compliance with every provision of this Contract.

**18. AMENDMENT**

This Contract may be modified, amended or extended, if the amendment is made in writing and is signed by both parties. This Contract may be extended on condition of satisfactory performance by the CONTRACTOR as determined by the Coordinator and shall be contingent upon the availability of funds for compensation payable for services performed and for cost and expenses incurred beyond the initial term of this Contract.

**19. ENTIRE CONTRACT**

This Contract contains the entire Contract of the parties and there are no other promises or conditions in any other Contract whether oral or written relative to this Contract. This Contract supersedes any prior written or oral Contracts, conditions, understandings, promises, warranties or representations whether express or implied between parties.

**20. APPLICABLE LAW**

This Contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of Hawai'i. Any action at law or in equity to enforce or interpret the provisions of this Contract shall be brought in a state court of competent jurisdiction in Honolulu, Hawai'i.