



Roll Call Number

22-0488

Agenda Item Number

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DATE March 21, 2022

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AND BOND
ANIMAL CONTROL FACILITY BID PACKAGE NO. 17 - LANDSCAPING
\$145,950.00

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA: That the contract and bond, in the amount of \$145,950.00, executed by Alpha Landscapes LLC, Riley Marvin, Owner, 31273 510TH AVE, Slater, IA, 50244 dated March 21, 2022, for the construction of the following improvement:

Animal Control Facility Bid Package No. 17 - Landscaping, 102022018

The improvement includes new construction of an approximately 21,900 square feet animal care and control facility which includes animal intake and service areas, adoption service areas, animal housing, veterinary clinic with surgery, and drive-thru sally port; design consists of brick masonry base, metal panel and cedar siding, glazed aluminum storefront and windows; wall structure consists of perimeter bearing stud walls and internal steel columns and bearing concrete masonry walls; floor structure is concrete slab-on-grade; roof structure is metal roof joists and decking; roofing system is a single-ply fully adhered membrane on low slope roof areas; Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) parking lots, PCC sidewalks, sanitary sewer, sanitary sewer manholes, water main, fiber and conduit, chain link fenced outdoor dog runs, surface restoration, and other incidental items; all in accordance with the contract documents associated with Bid Package No. 17 – Landscaping, including Plan File No. 633-001/218, located at 1441 Harriet Street, Des Moines, Iowa

the same to be performed in accordance with the plans and specifications which have been heretofore approved by this Council, be and the same are hereby approved, subject to receipt of the contract and bond approved as to form by the Legal Department, and certificate of insurance acceptable to the Engineering Departments. The attached "Contractor's Anticipated DBE/TSB Utilization" shows the Contractor's efforts to solicit DBE/TSB Participation in accordance with the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise/Targeted Small Business (DBE/TSB) Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute said contract on behalf of the City of Des Moines, subject to receipt of the contract and bond approved as to form by the Legal Department, and certificate of insurance acceptable to the Engineering Department, and the City Clerk, be and is hereby authorized and directed to attest to same. No contract shall be deemed to exist between the City of Des Moines and said Bidder until said contract has been executed by the Bidder, and shall have been approved by this Council and executed by the Mayor and attested to by the City Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That after said contract has been executed by the Mayor, the City Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to return the Contractor's bid security in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the attached Permission to Sublet form, from said Contractor requesting permission to sublet designated items, be and is hereby approved, subject to receipt of the contract and bond approved as to form by the Legal Department, and certificate of insurance acceptable to the Engineering Department; and each subcontractor is hereby granted permission to work on said improvement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Director of Finance is hereby authorized to encumber this contract amount against the funds as identified below, and to acquire Builder's Risk Insurance, if appropriate, for the above referenced improvement.

(City Council Communication Number 22-130 attached)

Moved by Voss to adopt. Second by Boesen

FORM APPROVED s/Kathleen Vanderpool
Kathleen Vanderpool
Deputy City Attorney

Funding Source: 2021-2022 CIP, Page 54, Animal Control Facility, BL130, Being: General Obligation Bonds, Private Grant, Road Use Tax

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COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
BOESEN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
SHEUMAKER	✓			
VOSS	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
TOTAL	7			

I, P. Kay Cmelik, City Clerk of said City Council, hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

MOTION CARRIED APPROVED
J. M. Franklin Cownie
Mayor

P. Kay Cmelik
City Clerk

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Department of Engineering
City of Des Moines, Iowa



CONTRACTOR'S ANTICIPATED DBE/TSB UTILIZATION

Animal Control Facility Bid Package No. 17 - Landscaping

Activity ID 102022018

On February 22, 2022, Alpha Landscapes LLC, Riley Marvin, Owner, 31273 510TH AVE, Slater, IA 50244 submitted a proposal for construction of the Animal Control Facility Bid Package No. 17 - Landscaping, Activity ID 102022018, which the City Council has determined to be the lowest responsible, responsive bid for said project in the amount of \$145,950.00. The proposal included a statement that the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise/Targeted Small Business (DBE/TSB) Program shall not apply to this project.

The Engineering Department has prepared this report summarizing the information that Alpha Landscapes LLC, has submitted indicating that it anticipates utilizing the following DBE/TSB companies on this project:

<u>DBE/TSB Name</u>	<u>Description of Work</u>	<u>Estimated Amount</u>
None	N/A	\$0.00
	Estimated DBE/TSB Participation	\$0.00
	Alpha Landscapes LLC Amount	\$145,950.00
	Percentage of DBE/TSB Participation	0.00%

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA

CONTRACT NO.

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DATE

3/21/2022

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CONTRACT

THIS CONTRACT, made and entered into at Des Moines, Iowa, on March 21, 2022, by and between the City of Des Moines, by its Mayor, upon order of its City Council, hereinafter called the "Jurisdiction", and Alpha Landscapes LLC, hereinafter called the "Contractor".

WITNESSETH:

The Contractor hereby agrees to complete the work comprising the below referenced improvement as specified in the contract documents, which are officially on file with the Jurisdiction, in the Des Moines City Engineer's Office. This contract includes all contract documents. The work under this contract shall be constructed in accordance with the SUDAS Standard Specifications, 2021 Edition; and as further modified by the supplemental specifications and special provisions included in said contract documents, and the Contract Attachments attached hereto. The Des Moines City Engineer is the Engineer. The Contractor further agrees to complete the work in strict accordance with said contract documents, and to guarantee the work as required by law, for the time required in said contract documents, after its acceptance by the Jurisdiction.

This contract is awarded and executed for completion of the work specified in the contract documents for the bid prices shown on the Contract Attachment: Item 2: Bid Items, Quantities and Prices which were proposed by the Contractor in its proposal submitted in accordance with the Notice to Bidders for the following described improvements:

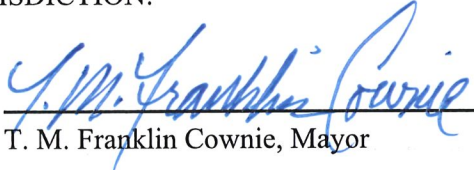
Animal Control Facility Bid Package No. 17 - Landscaping, 102022018

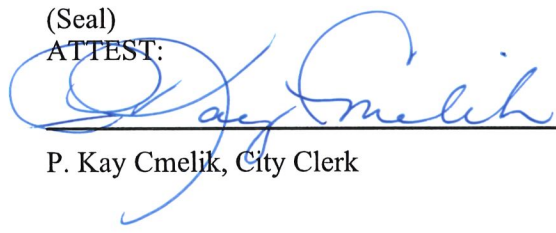
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The Contractor agrees to perform said work for and in consideration of the Jurisdiction's payment of the bid amount of One Hundred Forty Five Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty and 00/100 dollars (\$145,950.00) which amount shall constitute the required amount of the performance, payment, and maintenance bond. The Contractor hereby agrees to commence work under this contract on or after the date a written Notice to Proceed is issued by the Jurisdiction and to fully complete the project not later than October 19, 2023; and to pay liquidated damages for noncompliance with said completion provisions in the amount of Five Hundred and 00/100 dollars(\$500.00), for each calendar day thereafter that the work remains incomplete.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this instrument, in triplicate on the date first shown written.

JURISDICTION:

By 
T. M. Franklin Cownie, Mayor

(Seal)
ATTEST: 
P. Kay Cmelik, City Clerk

FORM APPROVED BY:

Kathleen Vanderpool, Deputy City Attorney

CONTRACTOR:

Alpha Landscapes LLC

Contractor

By 
Signature Riley Marvin

Owner _____
Title _____

31273 510TH AVE

Street Address

Slater, IA

50244

City, State - Zip Code

(515) 984-2651 / NANCY@ALPHALAND

Telephone Number / Email Address

CONTRACTOR PUBLIC REGISTRATION INFORMATION To Be Provided By:

1. All Contractors: The Contractor's Public Registration Number, issued by the Iowa Commissioner of Labor pursuant to Section 91C.5 of the Iowa Code, is as follows:
Number C132843
2. Out-of-State Contractors:
 - A. Pursuant to Section 91C.7 of the Iowa Code, an out-of-state contractor, before commencing a contract in excess of five thousand dollars in value in Iowa, shall file a bond with the division of labor services of the department of workforce development. The contractor should contact 515-242-5871 for further information. Prior to contract execution, the City Engineer may forward a copy of this contract to the Iowa Department of Workforce Development as notification of pending construction work. It is the contractor's responsibility to comply with said Section 91C.7 before commencing this work.
 - B. Prior to entering into contract, the designated low bidder, if it be a corporation organized under the laws of a state other than Iowa, shall file with the Engineer a certificate from the Secretary of the State of Iowa showing that it has complied with all the provisions of Chapter 490 of the Code of Iowa, or as amended, governing foreign corporations. For further information contact the Iowa Secretary of State Office at 515-281-5204.

NOTE: All signatures on this contract must be original signatures in ink: copies or facsimile of any signature will not be accepted.

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

State of Iowa)
) SS
Story County)

On this 16th day of March, 2022, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said county, personally appeared Riley Marvin, to me personally know, who being by me duly sworn did say that person is Owner of Alpha Landscapes LLC, that ~~(the seal affixed to said instrument is the seal of said-~~ OR no seal has been procured by the said Alpha Landscapes LLC, and that said instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of the said Alpha Landscapes LLC, by authority of its managers and the said Riley Marvin acknowledged the execution of said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of said Alpha Landscapes LLC, by its voluntarily executed.

Nancy H Cornelio
Notary Public in and for the State Iowa
My commission expires 1-12-2025



CONTRACT ATTACHMENT: ITEM 1: GENERAL

1. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees:
 - To comply with the Equal Employment Opportunity Program included in the City of Des Moines Contract Compliance Program, which is available at the following website [http://www.dmgov.org/Departments/Engineering/PDF/Contract%20Compliance%20Program%20\(June%202017\).pdf](http://www.dmgov.org/Departments/Engineering/PDF/Contract%20Compliance%20Program%20(June%202017).pdf) or from the City Engineer's Office.
 - To comply with any and all applicable provisions of the Des Moines Human Rights Ordinance, Chapter 62, of the Des Moines Municipal Code.
 - Not to discriminate against any employees, or applicants for employment, on the basis of age, race, religion, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, ancestry, disability, familial status or gender identity.
 - To include this provision in all subcontracts for this project.
2. The Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of the City of Des Moines Contract Compliance Program as referenced in the proposal. Final acceptance of the project will not be made until the Contractor has submitted to the City Engineer a notarized summary of payments to and scope of work by all DBE/TSB subcontractors.
3. The City of Des Moines Master Construction Safety Packet (Safety Plan) is available at <http://www.dmgov.org/Departments/Engineering/PDF/MasterConstructionSafetyPacket.pdf> and is also available upon request from the Engineering Department. The Engineering Department will make available a copy of the City of Des Moines Safety Plan to the Contractor when the contract is awarded. The Contractor understands and agrees that said Safety Plan is for the Contractor's information only and that it is the Contractor's sole responsibility to provide, or make available, this safety information to all its Subcontractors.
4. The Contractor understands and agrees that the construction of the work included in this contract is by its nature dangerous work. The Contractor agrees:
 - That the Contractor should have a safety program; however, the Contractor need not submit a safety program to the City of Des Moines, and City of Des Moines staff will not review or approve the Contractor's safety program. The City of Des Moines assumes that the Contractor will maintain a safe worksite; however, City of Des Moines staff will not intrude in the Contractor's responsibility for safety issues.
 - That until the work is accepted by the Jurisdiction; the work shall be in the custody of and under the charge, care, and control of the Contractor.
 - That the Contractor is responsible for the project area or work site.
 - That the Contractor is solely responsible for the safety of everyone on its work site.
 - That it is the Contractor's sole responsibility to provide as safe a working site as possible given the nature of the work.
 - That it is the Contractor's responsibility to notify and advise its employees, subcontractors, suppliers, and everyone on the worksite of the dangers associated with the work, and provide them with appropriate safety information to protect them from those dangers.
5. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that no contract shall be binding upon the City of Des Moines until said contract has been executed by the Bidder, and shall have been approved by the City Council and executed by the Mayor and attested to by the City Clerk.

6. The Contractor agrees that sixty (60) days shall constitute a reasonable time within which it shall be required to make progress payments or final payment to subcontractors after each subcontractor's satisfactory performance of its work, all as required by Section 573.12 2.b.(2) of the Code of Iowa.

CONTRACT ATTACHMENT: ITEM 2 - BID ITEMS, QUANTITIES AND PRICES: 1 of 1

This contract is awarded and executed for completion of the work specified in the contract documents for the bid price tabulated below as proposed by the contractor in its proposal submitted in accordance with notice to bidders and notice of public hearing.

Activity ID 10-2022-018

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
1	As described in Contract Documents, Animal Control Facility Bid Package No. 17 - Landscaping, complete as specified. Plan Sheets G.000-W.04. Refer to Specification Section 01 12 00.17 for scope of work.	1 LS	\$145,950.00
	TOTAL BASE BID		\$145,950.00

PERFORMANCE, PAYMENT & MAINTENANCE BOND

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, Alpha Landscapes LLC , as Principal (the "Contractor" or "Principal"), and United Fire & Casualty Company, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the City of Des Moines, as Obligee (the "Jurisdiction"), and to all persons who may be injured by any breach of any of the conditions of this Bond in the penal sum of One Hundred Forty Five Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty and 00/100 dollars (\$145,950.00), lawful money of the United States, for the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, legal representatives and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

The conditions of the above obligations are such that whereas the Contractor entered into a contract with the Jurisdiction, bearing the date of March 21, 2022, (the "Contract") wherein the Contractor undertakes and agrees to construct the following described improvements:

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and to faithfully perform all the terms and requirements of the Contract within the time specified, in a good and workmanlike manner, and in accordance with the Contract Documents. Provided however, that one year after the date of acceptance by the Jurisdiction as complete, of the work under the above referenced Contract, the maintenance portion of this Bond shall continue in force but the penal sum for maintenance shall be reduced to the sum of zero and 00/100 dollars (\$0.00), which is the cost associated with those items shown on the Proposal and in the Contract which require a maintenance bond period in excess of one year.

It is expressly understood and agreed by the Contractor and Surety that the following provisions are a part of this Bond and are binding upon the Contractor and Surety, to-wit:

1. **PERFORMANCE:** The Contractor shall well and faithfully observe, perform, fulfill and abide by each and every covenant, condition and part of the Contract and Contract Documents, by reference made a part hereof, and shall indemnify and save harmless the Jurisdiction from all outlay and expense incurred by the Jurisdiction by reason of the Contractor's default or failure to perform as required. The Contractor shall also be responsible for the default or failure to perform as required under the Contract and Contract Documents by all its subcontractors, suppliers, agents, or employees furnishing materials or providing labor in the performance of the Contract.

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2. **PAYMENT:** The Contractor and Surety on this bond hereby agree to pay all just claims submitted by persons, firms, subcontractors, and corporations furnishing materials for or performing labor in the performance of the Contract, including but not limited to claims for all amounts due for labor, materials, lubricants, oil, gasoline, repairs on machinery, equipment and tools, consumed or used by the Contractor or any subcontractor, wherein the same are not satisfied out of the portion of the contract price which the Jurisdiction is required to retain until completion of the improvement, but the Contractor and Surety shall not be liable unless the claims have been established as provided by law. The Contractor and Surety hereby bind themselves to the obligations and conditions set forth in Iowa Code Chapter 573.

3. **MAINTENANCE:** The Contractor and the Surety shall, at their own expense:

- A. Remedy any and all defects that may develop in or result from work to be performed under the Contract within the period of one (1) year(s) from the date of acceptance of the work under the Contract, by reason of defects in workmanship or materials used in construction of the work;
- B. Keep all work in continuous good repair; and
- C. Pay the Jurisdiction's reasonable costs of monitoring and inspecting to assure that any defects are remedied, and to repay the Jurisdiction all outlay and expense incurred as a result of Contractor's and Surety's failure to remedy any defect as required by this section.

Contractor's and Surety's obligation extends to defects in workmanship or materials not discovered or known to the Jurisdiction at the time the work was accepted.

4. **GENERAL:** Every Surety on this Bond shall be deemed and held bound, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding, to the following provisions:

- A. To consent without notice to any extension of time to the Contractor in which to perform the Contract;
- B. To consent without notice to any change in the Contract or Contract Documents, that increases the total contract price and the penal sum of this bond, provided that all such changes do not, in the aggregate, involve an increase of more than twenty percent of the total contract price, and that this Bond shall then be released as to such excess increase; and
- C. To consent without notice that this Bond shall remain in full force and effect until the contract is completed, whether completed within the specified contract period, within an extension thereof, or within a period of time after the contract period has elapsed and liquidated damages are being charged against the Contractor.

5. The Contractor and every Surety on this Bond shall be deemed and held bound, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding, to the following provisions:

- A. That no provision of this Bond or of any other contract shall be valid which limits to less than five years after the acceptance of the work under the Contract the right to sue on this Bond.

B. That as used herein, the phrase "all outlay and expense" is not to be limited in any way, but shall include the actual and reasonable costs and expenses incurred by the Jurisdiction including interest, benefits and overhead as applicable. Accordingly, "all outlay and expense" would include but not be limited to all contract or employee expense, all equipment usage or rental, materials, testing, outside experts, attorneys fees (including overhead expenses of the Jurisdiction's staff attorneys), and all costs and expenses of litigation as they are incurred by the Jurisdiction. It is intended the Contractor and Surety will defend and indemnify the Jurisdiction on all claims made against the Jurisdiction on account of Contractor's failure to perform as required in the Contract and Contract Documents, that all agreements and promises set forth in the Contract and Contract Documents, in approved change orders, and in this Bond will be fulfilled, and that the Jurisdiction will be fully indemnified so that it will be put into the position it would have been in had the Contract been performed in the first instance as required.

C. In the event the Jurisdiction incurs any "outlay and expense" in defending itself with respect to any claim as to which the Contractor or Surety should have provided the defense, or in the enforcement of the promises given by the Contractor in the Contract, Contract Documents, or approved change orders, or in the enforcement of the promises given by the Contractor and Surety in this Bond, the Contractor and Surety agree that they will make the Jurisdiction whole for all such outlay and expense, provided that the Surety's obligation under this Bond shall not exceed 125% of the penal sum of this Bond.

In the event that any actions or proceedings are initiated with respect to this Bond, the parties agree that the venue thereof shall be Polk County, State of Iowa. If legal action is required by the Jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this Bond or to collect the monetary obligation accruing to the benefit of the Jurisdiction, the Contractor and Surety agree, jointly and severally, to pay the Jurisdiction all outlay and expense incurred by the Jurisdiction. All rights, powers, and remedies of the Jurisdiction hereunder shall be cumulative and not alternative and shall be in addition to all rights, powers and remedies given to the Jurisdiction, by law. The Jurisdiction may proceed against the Surety for any amount guaranteed hereunder whether action is brought against the Contractor or whether or not the Contractor is joined in the action.



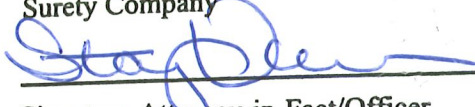
NOW THEREFORE, the condition of this obligation is such that if the Principal shall faithfully perform all of the promises of the Principal, as set forth and provided in the Contract, in the Contract Documents, and in this Bond, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect.

When a word, term, or phrase is used in this Bond, it shall be interpreted or construed first as defined in this Bond, the Contract, or the Contract Documents; second, if not defined in the Bond, Contract, or Contract Documents, it shall be interpreted or construed as defined in applicable provisions of the Iowa Code; third, if not defined in the Iowa Code, it shall be interpreted or construed according to its generally accepted meaning in the construction industry; and fourth, if it has no generally accepted meaning in the construction industry, it shall be interpreted or construed according to its common or customary usage.

(CONT) PERFORMANCE, PAYMENT & MAINTENANCE BOND

Failure to specify or particularize shall not exclude terms or provisions not mentioned and shall not limit liability hereunder. The Contract and Contract Documents are hereby made a part of this Bond.

Witness our hands, in triplicate, this 1st day of April, 2022

<p>PRINCIPAL:</p> <p><u>Alpha Landscapes LLC</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Contractor</p> <p>By <u></u></p> <p>Signature Riley Marvin</p> <p><u>Owner</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Title</p> <p>FORM APPROVED BY:</p> <p><u></u></p> <p>Kathleen Vanderpool Deputy City Attorney</p>	<p>SURETY:</p> <p><u>United Fire & Casualty Company</u></p> <p>Surety Company</p> <p>By <u></u></p> <p>Signature Attorney-in-Fact/Officer</p> <p><u>Stacy Venn, Attoreny-in-Fact</u></p> <p>Name of Attorney-in-Fact/Officer</p> <p><u>Holmes, Murphy and Associates, LLC</u></p> <p>Company Name</p> <p><u>2727 Grand Prairie Parkway</u></p> <p>Company Address</p> <p><u>Waukee, IA 50263</u></p> <p>City, State Zip Code</p> <p><u>(515) 223-6800</u></p> <p>Company Telephone Number</p>
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NOTE:

1. All signatures on this performance, payment & maintenance bond must be original signatures in ink; copies or facsimile of any signature will not be accepted.
2. This bond must be sealed with the Surety's raised, embossed seal.
3. The Certificate or Power of Attorney accompanying this bond must be valid on its face and sealed with the Surety's raised, embossing seal.
4. The name and signature of the Surety's Attorney-in-Fact/Officer entered on this bond must be exactly as listed on the Certificate or Power of Attorney accompanying this bond.
5. This bond form must be utilized as printed; no additions/deletions/alterations are permitted, other than providing the required information.



UNITED FIRE & CASUALTY COMPANY, CEDAR RAPIDS, IA
 UNITED FIRE & INDEMNITY COMPANY, WEBSTER, TX
 FINANCIAL PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY, LOS ANGELES, CA
 CERTIFIED COPY OF POWER OF ATTORNEY
 (original on file at Home Office of Company – See Certification)

Inquiries: Surety Department
 118 Second Ave SE
 Cedar Rapids, IA 52401

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, That United Fire & Casualty Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Iowa; United Fire & Indemnity Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas; and Financial Pacific Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of California (herein collectively called the Companies), and having their corporate headquarters in Cedar Rapids, State of Iowa, does make, constitute and appoint

CRAIG E. HANSEN, JAY D. FREIERMUTH, BRIAN M. DEIMERLY, CINDY BENNETT, ANNE CROWNER, TIM MCCULLOH, STACY VENN, DIONE R. YOUNG, KEVIN J. KNOTSON, MICHELLE GRUIS, KATHLEEN BREWER, SETH D. ROOKER, STACIE CHRISTENSEN, SHELBY GREINER, GINGER HOKE, JOHN CORD, EACH INDIVIDUALLY

their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact with power and authority hereby conferred to sign, seal and execute in its behalf all lawful bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of similar nature provided that no single obligation shall exceed \$100,000,000.00 and to bind the Companies thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by the duly authorized officers of the Companies and all of the acts of said Attorney, pursuant to the authority hereby given and hereby ratified and confirmed.

The Authority hereby granted is continuous and shall remain in full force and effect until revoked by United Fire & Casualty Company, United Fire & Indemnity Company, and Financial Pacific Insurance Company.

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following bylaw duly adopted by the Boards of Directors of United Fire & Casualty Company, United Fire & Indemnity Company, and Financial Pacific Insurance Company.

“Article VI – Surety Bonds and Undertakings”

Section 2, Appointment of Attorney-in-Fact. “The President or any Vice President, or any other officer of the Companies may, from time to time, appoint by written certificates attorneys-in-fact to act in behalf of the Companies in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. The signature of any officer authorized hereby, and the Corporate seal, may be affixed by facsimile to any power of attorney or special power of attorney or certification of either authorized hereby; such signature and seal, when so used, being adopted by the Companies as the original signature of such officer and the original seal of the Companies, to be valid and binding upon the Companies with the same force and effect as though manually affixed. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority shall have full power to bind the Companies by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach the seal the Companies thereto. The President or any Vice President, the Board of Directors or any other officer of the Companies may at any time revoke all power and authority previously given to any attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the COMPANIES have each caused these presents to be signed by its vice president and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed this 18th day of March, 2022

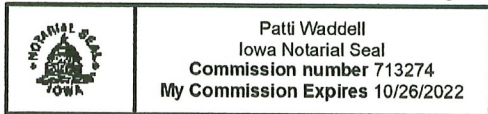
UNITED FIRE & CASUALTY COMPANY
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 FINANCIAL PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY

By: *Dennis J. Richmann*
 Vice President



State of Iowa, County of Linn, ss:

On 18th day of March, 2022, before me personally came Dennis J. Richmann to me known, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say; that he resides in Cedar Rapids, State of Iowa; that he is a Vice President of United Fire & Casualty Company, a Vice President of United Fire & Indemnity Company, and a Vice President of Financial Pacific Insurance Company the corporations described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporations; that the seal affixed to the said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Board of Directors of said corporations and that he signed his name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said corporations.



Patti Waddell
 Notary Public
 My commission expires: 10/26/2022

I, Mary A. Bertsch, Assistant Secretary of United Fire & Casualty Company and Assistant Secretary of United Fire & Indemnity Company, and Assistant Secretary of Financial Pacific Insurance Company, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of the Power of Attorney and affidavit, and the copy of the Section of the bylaws and resolutions of said Corporations as set forth in said Power of Attorney, with the ORIGINALS ON FILE IN THE HOME OFFICE OF SAID CORPORATIONS, and that the same are correct transcripts thereof, and of the whole of the said originals, and that the said Power of Attorney has not been revoked and is now in full force and effect.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the corporate seal of the said Corporations this 1st day of April, 2022



By: *Mary A Bertsch*
 Assistant Secretary,
 UF&C & UF&I & FPIC

