RESOLUTION NO. R-2018-81

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS, APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH HALFF ASSOCIATES TO STUDY THE DRAINAGE IMPACT EAST OF SH 95 AND SH 71 TO DEVELOP 2-DIMENSIONAL (2D) MODEL TO BETTER UNDERSTAND GILLS BRANCH OVERFLOW AND DETERMINE FLOOD MITIGATION SOLUTIONS IN A WATERSHED HOLISTIC FASHION IN THE AMOUNT OF SIXTY-SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE AND 00/100 DOLLARS ($66,171.00), ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT A; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALING CLAUSE; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, The City of Bastrop City Council is dedicated funding to drainage improvements to protect life and property of the citizens of Bastrop; and

WHEREAS, The City of Bastrop City Council understands the significant impact drainage can have on a developing community; and

WHEREAS, The City of Bastrop City Council recognizes the importance in having codes related to drainage regulation that are geographically sensitive; and

WHEREAS, The City of Bastrop understands the importance of using the best available data; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bastrop has chosen Halff Associates from a list of qualified consulting firms identified by City Council on July 10, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS:

Section 1. That the City Council has found Halff Associates to be a subject matter expert in the fields of water/wastewater, streets/drainage, hydraulic & hydrology, land survey, and land planning.

Section 2. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute Engineering Services Agreement (Attached as Exhibit A) between the City of Bastrop and Halff Associates as well as all other necessary documents.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage, and it is duly resolved.
DULY RESOLVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Bastrop this 11th day of September 2018.

APPROVED:

Connie B. Schroeder, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ann Franklin, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Alan Bojorquez, City Attorney
AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES ON A DEFINED SCOPE OF SERVICES BASIS

This Agreement for Professional Engineering Services, hereinafter called “Agreement,” is entered into by the City of Bastrop, Texas, a municipal corporation, duly authorized to act by the City Council of said Client, hereinafter called “Client,” and Halff Associates, Inc., a Texas corporation, acting through a duly authorized officer, herein called “Engineer,” relative to Engineer providing professional engineering services to the Client. Client and Engineer when mentioned collectively shall be referred to as the “Parties”.

WITNESSETH:

For the mutual promises and benefits herein described, the Client and Engineer agree as follows:

I. Term of Agreement. This Agreement shall become effective on the date of its execution by both Parties, and shall continue in effect thereafter until terminated as provided herein.

II. Services to be Performed by Engineer. Engineer shall provide to the Client basic engineering services as described in the scope of services attachment and fully incorporated herein as “Exhibit A” which services may include, but will not be limited to, those services normally rendered by an engineer to a municipal corporation. Engineer shall perform its obligations under this agreement as an independent contractor and not as an agent or fiduciary of any other party.

III. Compensation - Client agrees to pay monthly invoices or their undisputed portions within 30 days of receipt. Payment later than 30 days shall include interest at 1 percent (1%) per month or lesser maximum enforceable interest rate, from the date the Client received the invoice until the date Engineer receives payment. Such interest is due and payable when the overdue payment is made.

It is understood and agreed by the Parties that Engineer’s receipt of payment(s) from Client is not contingent upon Client’s receipt of payment, funding, reimbursement or any other remuneration from others.

Time-related charges will be billed as specified in this Agreement. Unless stated otherwise in this Agreement, direct expenses, subcontracted services and direct costs will be billed at actual cost plus a service charge of 10 percent. Mileage will be billed at current IRS rates.

IV. Client’s Obligations. The Client agrees that it will (i) designate a specific person to act as the Client’s representative, (ii) provide Engineer with any previous studies, reports, data, budget constraints, special Client requirements, or other pertinent information known to the Client, when necessitated by a project, (iii) Client agrees to provide site access, and to provide those services described in the attached Scope of Services assist Engineer in obtaining access to property necessary for performance of Engineer’s work for the Client, (iv) make prompt payments in response to Engineer’s statements and (v) respond in a timely fashion to requests from Engineer. Engineer is entitled to rely upon and use, without independent verification and without liability, all information and services provided by the Client or the Client’s representatives.

V. Termination of Work - Either the Client or the Engineer may terminate this Agreement at any time with or without cause upon giving the other Party ten (10) calendar days’ prior written notice. Client agrees that termination of Engineer for Client’s convenience shall only be utilized in good faith, and shall not be utilized if either the purpose or the result of such termination is the performance of all or part of Engineer’s services under this Agreement by Client or by another service provider. Following Engineer’s receipt of such termination notice the Client shall, within ten (10) calendar days of Client’s receipt of Engineer’s final invoice, pay the Engineer for all services rendered and all costs incurred up to the date of Engineer’s receipt of such notice of termination.

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VI. **Ownership of Documents** - Upon Engineer’s completion of services and receipt of payment in full, Engineer shall grant to Client a non-exclusive license to possess the final drawings and instruments produced in connection with Engineer’s performance of the work under this Agreement, if any. Said drawings and instruments may be copied, duplicated, reproduced and used by Client for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining the improvements. Client agrees that such documents are not intended or represented to be suitable for reuse by Client or others for purposes outside the Scope of Services of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Client understands and agrees that any and all computer programs, GIS applications, proprietary data or processes, and certain other items related to the services performable under this Agreement are and shall remain the sole and exclusive property of Engineer and may not be used or reused, in any form, by Client without the express written authorization of Engineer. Client agrees that any reuse by Client, or by those who obtain said information from or through Client, without written verification or adaptation by Engineer, will be at Client’s sole risk and without liability or legal exposure to Engineer or to Engineer’s employees, agents, representatives, officers, directors, affiliates, shareholders, owners, members, managers, attorneys, subsidiary entities, advisors, subconsultants or independent contractors or associates. Engineer may reuse all drawings, reports, data and other information developed in performing the services described by this Agreement in Engineer’s other activities.

VII. **Notices.** Any notices to be given hereunder by either party to the other may be affected either by personal delivery, in writing, or by registered or certified mail.

VII. **Sole Parties and Entire Agreement.** This Agreement shall not create any rights or benefits to anyone except the Client and Engineer, and contains the entire agreement between the parties. Oral modifications to this Agreement shall have no force or effect.

IX. **Insurance.** Engineer shall, at its own expense, purchase, maintain and keep in force throughout the duration of this Agreement and for a period of four (4) years thereafter, professional liability insurance. The limits of liability shall be $1,000,000 per claim and in the aggregate. Engineer shall submit to the Client a certificate of insurance prior to commencing any work for the Client.

X. **Prompt Performance by Engineer.** All services provided by Engineer hereunder shall be performed in accordance with the degree of care and skill ordinarily exercised under similar circumstances by competent members of the engineering profession in the State of Texas applicable to such engineering services contemplated by this Agreement.

XI. **Client Objection to Personnel.** If at any time after entering into this Agreement, the Client has any reasonable objection to any of Engineer’s personnel, or any personnel, professionals and/or consultants retained by Engineer, Engineer shall promptly propose substitutes to whom the Client has no reasonable objection, and Engineer’s compensation shall be equitably adjusted to reflect any difference in Engineer’s costs occasioned by such substitution.

XII. **Assignment and Delegation.** Neither the Client nor Engineer may assign their rights or delegate their duties without the written consent of the other party. This Agreement is binding on the Client and Engineer to the fullest extent permitted by law. Nothing herein is to be construed as creating any personal liability on the part of any Client officer, employee or agent.

XIII. **Jurisdiction and Venue.** This Agreement shall be administered under the substantive laws of the State of Texas (and not its conflicts of law principles) which shall be used to govern all matters arising out of, or relating to, this Agreement and all of the transactions it contemplates, including without limitation, its validity, interpretation, construction, performance and enforcement. Exclusive venue shall lie in Bastrop County, Texas.
XIV. Integration, Merger and Severability – This Agreement and the Scope of Services, including fee and schedule are fully incorporated herein and represent the entire understanding of Client and Engineer. No prior oral or written understanding shall be of any force or effect with respect to those matters covered herein. The Agreement may not be modified or altered except in writing signed by both Parties. This Agreement constitutes, represents and is intended by the Parties to be the complete and final statement and expression of all of the terms and arrangements between the Parties to this Agreement with respect to the matters provided for in this Agreement. This Agreement supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, negotiations, and discussions between the Parties and all such matters are merged into this Agreement. Should any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction or by legislative pronouncement to be void, invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect, such voiding, invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision hereof, and this Agreement shall be considered as if the entirety of such void, invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision had never been contained in this Agreement.

XV. Exclusivity of Remedies – The Parties acknowledge and agree that the remedies set forth in this Agreement, including those set forth in Article XIX. Agreed Remedies are and shall remain the Parties’ sole and exclusive remedy with respect to any claim arising from, or out of, or related to, the subject matter of this Agreement. The Parties agree that Engineer is to have no liability or responsibility whatsoever to Client for any claim(s) or loss(es) of any nature, except as set forth in this Agreement. No Party shall be able to avoid the limitations expressly set forth in this Agreement by electing to pursue some other remedy.

XVI. Timeliness of Performance - Engineer shall perform its professional services with due and reasonable diligence consistent with sound professional practices.

XVII. Dispute Resolution. In the event of any disagreement or conflict concerning the interpretation of this Agreement, and such disagreement cannot be resolved by the signatories hereto, the signatories agree to schedule a series of no less than two meetings of senior personnel of Client and Engineer in which the disagreement or conflict will be discussed. The first of such meetings will be scheduled as soon as possible following identification of such disagreement or conflict and the second meeting must occur within thirty (30) days following the initial meeting. Subsequent meetings, if any, may be scheduled upon mutual agreement of the parties. The parties agree that these two meetings are conditions precedent to the institution of legal proceedings unless such meetings will adversely affect the rights of one or more of the parties as such rights relate to statutes of limitation or repose.

XVIII. Signatories. The Client and Engineer mutually warrant and represent that the representation of each who is executing this Agreement on behalf of the Client or Engineer, respectively, has full authority to execute this Agreement and bind the entity so represented.

XIX. AGREED REMEDIES
A. IT IS THE INTENT OF THE PARTIES TO THIS AGREEMENT THAT ENGINEER’S SERVICES UNDER THIS AGREEMENT SHALL NOT SUBJECT ENGINEER’S INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS OR DIRECTORS TO ANY PERSONAL LEGAL EXPOSURE FOR CLAIMS AND RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE SERVICES PERFORMED OR PERFORMABLE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT.

B. IN RECOGNITION OF THE RELATIVE RISKS AND BENEFITS OF THE PROJECT TO BOTH THE CLIENT AND THE ENGINEER, AND ACKNOWLEDGING THAT THE ALLOCATION OF RISKS AND LIMITATIONS OF REMEDIES ARE BUSINESS UNDERSTANDINGS BETWEEN THE PARTIES AND THESE RISKS AND REMEDIES SHALL APPLY TO ALL POSSIBLE LEGAL THEORIES OF RECOVERY, CLIENT FURTHER AGREES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, AND NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY REFERENCE TO INSURANCE OR THE EXISTENCE OF APPLICABLE INSURANCE COVERAGE, THAT THE TOTAL LIABILITY, IN THE AGGREGATE, OF THE ENGINEER AND ENGINEER’S OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, AND SUBCONSULTANTS TO THE CLIENT OR TO ANYONE CLAIMING BY, THROUGH OR UNDER THE CLIENT, FOR ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, LOSSES, COSTS OR DAMAGES WHATSOEVER ARISING OUT OF, RESULTING FROM, OR IN ANY WAY RELATED TO, THE SERVICES UNDER

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THIS AGREEMENT FROM ANY CAUSE OR CAUSES OF THE ENGINEER OR THE ENGINEER'S OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, AND SUBCONSULTANTS, SHALL NOT EXCEED THE ENGINEER'S FEE FOR THE SERVICES PERFORMED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT OR $50,000, WHICHEVER IS GREATER. INCREASED LIMITS MAY BE NEGOTIATED FOR ADDITIONAL FEE.

C. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THE AGREEMENT, ENGINEER SHALL HAVE NO LIABILITY TO THE CLIENT FOR CONTINGENT, CONSEQUENTIAL OR OTHER INDIRECT DAMAGES INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, DAMAGES FOR LOSS OF USE, REVENUE OR PROFIT; OPERATING COSTS AND FACILITY DOWNTIME; OR OTHER SIMILAR BUSINESS INTERRUPTION LOSSES, HOWEVER, THE SAME MAY BE CAUSED.

D. CLIENT MAY NOT ASSERT ANY CLAIM AGAINST ENGINEER AFTER THE SHORTER OF (1) 3 YEARS FROM SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION OF SERVICES GIVING RISE TO THE CLAIM, OR (2) THE STATUTE OF LIMITATION PROVIDED BY LAW.

XX. WAIVER - Any failure by Engineer to require strict compliance with any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver of such provision, and Engineer may subsequently require strict compliance at any time, notwithstanding any prior failure to do so.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties, having read and understood this Agreement, have executed such in duplicate copies, each of which shall have full dignity and force as an original, on the _____ day of ______________________, 20____.

HALFF ASSOCIATES, INC.                    CLIENT: CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS

By: _______________________________                 By: _______________________________

Signature                                                Signature

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Printed Name                                               Printed Name

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Title                                                   Title

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Date                                                    Date