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Resolution to Approve a Contract with Ann Arbor SPARK for Economic Development Services (\$75,000.00)

Attached for your consideration is a resolution to approve a contract with Ann Arbor SPARK. SPARK will conduct economic development activities, helping the City make progress on City Council's economic health priority area.

SPARK attracts new businesses, specifically technology companies. By providing continuous communications mechanisms between higher education, government, and the private and non-profit sectors, SPARK addresses the City and region's economic development needs and concerns.

Although SPARK has a regional mission, the contract specifies that services will be provided to the City, with specific deliverables. The deliverables are the attraction and retention of companies that add or maintain taxable value and add or retain jobs. Specific deliverables also include supporting the outcomes from City Council's Economic Collaborative Task Force.

Funding for the contract is in the FY2015 budget for \$75,000.00.

Washtenaw Development Council began providing services to the City in 1982. In 2006, Washtenaw Development Council and Ann Arbor SPARK consolidated creating one unified organization. The merger of the two organizations supports the region's mission for economic growth for all communities in Washtenaw County.

Prepared by: Sara Higgins, Assistant to the City Administrator

Approved by: Steven D. Powers, City Administrator

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Whereas, The City has had a long-standing relationship with the Washtenaw Development Council since 1982 to provide services related to the economic development of the area;

Whereas, Washtenaw Development Council and Ann Arbor SPARK officially consolidated the two organizations in July 2006 creating one unified organization;

Whereas, The merger of the two organizations supports the region's mission for economic growth and represents all communities in Washtenaw County;

Whereas, The services of Ann Arbor SPARK focus on building our innovation-focused community through continual proactive support of entrepreneurs, regional businesses, university tech transfer office, and networking organizations;

Whereas, The Ann Arbor SPARK received Human Rights approval May 23, 2014 and complies with the provisions of the City's living wage ordinance; and

Whereas, Funding for services for FY2015 are budgeted within the approved budget under the City -wide Membership account in the amount of \$75,000.00.

RESOLVED, That City Council approve a one year contract in the amount of \$75,000.00 with Ann Arbor SPARK for business support services for the period of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015;

RESOLVED, That the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to execute the contract after approval as to substance by the City Administrator and approval as to form by the City Attorney; and

RESOLVED, That the City Administrator be authorized to take all necessary actions to implement this resolution.

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN
ANN ARBOR SPARK
AND THE CITY OF ANN ARBOR
FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONSULTING SERVICES**

The City of Ann Arbor, a Michigan municipal corporation, having its offices at 301 E. Huron St., Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104 ("City"), and Ann Arbor SPARK a corporation, with its address at 201 S. Division, Suite 430, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104 agree as follows on this _day of _____, 2014.

The Consultant agrees to provide professional services to the City under the following terms and conditions:

I. DEFINITIONS

Administering Service Area/Unit means City Administration.

Contract Administrator means City Administrator, acting personally or through any assistants authorized by the Administrator/Manager of the Administering Service Area/Unit.

Deliverables means all Plans, Specifications, Reports, Recommendations, and other materials developed for or delivered to City by Consultant under this Agreement

Project means economic development services.

II. DURATION

This Agreement shall become effective on July 1, 2014, and shall remain in effect until June 30, 2015 unless terminated as provided for in this Agreement.

III. SERVICES

- A. The Consultant agrees to provide professional economic development consulting services ("Services") in connection with the Project as described in Exhibit A. The City retains the right to make changes to the quantities of service within the general scope of the Agreement at any time by a written order. If the changes add to or deduct from the extent of the services, the contract sum shall be adjusted accordingly. All such changes shall be executed under the conditions of the original Agreement.

- B. Quality of Services under this Agreement shall be of the level of professional quality performed by experts regularly rendering this type of service. Determination of acceptable quality shall be made solely by the Contract Administrator.
- C. The Consultant shall perform its Services for the Project in compliance with all statutory, regulatory and contractual requirements now or hereafter in effect as may be applicable to the rights and obligations set forth in the Agreement.
- D. The Consultant may rely upon the accuracy of reports and surveys provided to it by the City except when defects should have been apparent to a reasonably competent professional or when it has actual notice of any defects in the reports and surveys.

IV. COMPENSATION OF CONSULTANT

- A. The Consultant shall be paid in the manner set forth in Exhibit B. Payment shall be made monthly, unless another payment term is specified in Exhibit B, following receipt of invoices submitted by the Consultant, and approved by the Contract Administrator.
- B. The Consultant will be compensated for Services performed in addition to the Services described in Section III, only when those additional Services have received prior written approval of the Contract Administrator. Compensation will be on the basis of reasonable time spent and reasonable quantities of materials used, according to the schedule of rates in Exhibit B. The Contract Administrator shall be the sole arbitrator of what shall be considered "reasonable" under this provision.
- C. The Consultant shall keep complete records of time spent and materials used on the Project so that the City may verify invoices submitted by the Consultant. Such records shall be made available to the City upon request and submitted in summary form with each invoice.

V. INSURANCE/INDEMNIFICATION

- A. The Consultant shall procure and maintain during the life of this contract, such insurance policies, including those set forth in Exhibit C, as will protect itself and the City from all claims for bodily injuries, death or property damage which may arise under this contract; whether the acts were made by the Consultant or by any subcontractor or anyone employed by them directly or indirectly. In the case of all contracts involving on-site work, the Consultant shall provide to the City, before the commencement of any work under this contract, documentation demonstrating it has obtained the policies required by Exhibit C.

- B. Any insurance provider of Consultant shall be admitted and authorized to do business in the State of Michigan and shall carry and maintain a minimum rating assigned by A.M. Best & Company's Key Rating Guide of "A-" Overall and a minimum Financial Size Category of "V". Insurance policies and certificates issued by non-admitted insurance companies are not acceptable unless approved in writing by the City.
- C. To the fullest extent permitted by law, Consultant shall indemnify, defend and hold the City, its officers, employees and agents harmless from all suits, claims, judgments and expenses including attorney's fees resulting or alleged to result from any act or omission by the Consultant or its employees and agents occurring in the performance of or breach in this Agreement.

VI. COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

- A. Nondiscrimination. The Consultant agrees to comply, and to require its subcontractor(s) to comply, with the nondiscrimination provisions of Section 209 of the Elliot-Larsen Civil Rights Act (MCL 37.2209) The Consultant further agrees to comply with the nondiscrimination provisions of Chapter 112 of the Ann Arbor City Code and to assure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment in a manner which provides equal employment opportunity.
- B. Living Wage. The Consultant is a "covered employer" as defined in Chapter 23 of the Ann Arbor City Code and agrees to comply with the living wage provisions of Chapter 23 of the Ann Arbor City Code. The Consultant agrees to pay those employees providing Services to the City under this Agreement a "living wage," as defined in Section 1:815 of the Ann Arbor City Code, as adjusted in accordance with Section 1:815(3) and specified in Exhibit D; to post a notice approved by the City of the applicability of Chapter 23 in every location in which regular or contract employees providing services under this Agreement are working; to maintain records of compliance; if requested by the City, to provide documentation to verify compliance; to take no action that would reduce the compensation, wages, fringe benefits, or leave available to any employee or person contracted for employment in order to pay the living wage required by Section 1:815; and otherwise to comply with the requirements of Chapter 23.

VII. WARRANTIES BY THE CONSULTANT

- A. The Consultant warrants that the quality of its Services under this Agreement shall conform to the level of professional quality performed by experts regularly rendering this type of service.
- B. The Consultant warrants that it has all the skills, experience, and professional licenses necessary to perform the Services specified in this Agreement.

- C. The Consultant warrants that it has available, or will engage, at its own expense, sufficient trained employees to provide the Services specified in this Agreement.
- D. The Consultant warrants that it is not, and shall not become overdue or in default to the City for any contract, debt, or any other obligation to the City including real and personal property taxes.

VIII. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

- A. If either party is in breach of this Agreement for a period of fifteen (15) days following receipt of notice from the non-breaching party with respect to a breach, the non-breaching party may pursue any remedies available to it against the breaching party under applicable law, including but not limited to, the right to terminate this Agreement without further notice.
- B. The City may terminate this Agreement, on at least thirty (30) days advance notice, for any reason, including convenience, without incurring any penalty, expense or liability to the Consultant except the obligation to pay for Services actually performed under the Agreement before the termination date.
- C. The remedies provided in this Agreement will be cumulative, and the assertion by a party of any right or remedy will not preclude the assertion by such party of any other rights or the seeking of any other remedies.

IX. OBLIGATIONS OF THE CITY

- A. The City agrees to give the Consultant access to the Project area and other City-owned properties as required to perform the necessary Services under this Agreement.
- B. The City shall notify the Consultant of any defects in the Services of which the Contract Administrator has actual notice.

X. ASSIGNMENT

- A. The Consultant shall not subcontract or assign any portion of any right or obligation under this Agreement without prior written consent from the City. Notwithstanding any consent by the City to any assignment, Consultant shall at all times remain bound to all warranties, certifications, indemnifications, promises and performances, however described, as are required of it under the Agreement unless specifically released from the requirement, in writing, by the City.
- B. The Consultant shall retain the right to pledge payment(s) due and payable under this Agreement to third parties.

XI. NOTICE

All notices and submissions required under this Agreement shall be delivered to the respective party in the manner described herein to the address stated in this Agreement or such other address as either party may designate by prior written notice to the other.

Notices given under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be personally delivered, sent by next day express delivery service, certified mail, or first class U.S. mail postage prepaid, and addressed to the person listed below. Notice will be deemed given on the date when one of the following first occur: (1) the date of actual receipt; (2) the next business day when notice is sent next day express delivery service or personal delivery; or (3) three days after mailing first class or certified U.S. mail.

If Notice is sent to the CONSULTANT, it shall be addressed and sent to:

Ann Arbor SPARK
201 S. Division, Suite 430
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104
Attn.: Executive Director

If Notice is sent to the CITY, it shall be addressed and sent to:

City of Ann Arbor
301 E. Huron
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48107
Attn: City Administrator

XII. CHOICE OF LAW

This Agreement will be governed and controlled in all respects by the laws of the State of Michigan, including interpretation, enforceability, validity and construction. The parties submit to the jurisdiction and venue of the Circuit Court for Washtenaw County, State of Michigan, or, if original jurisdiction can be established, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division, with respect to any action arising, directly or indirectly, out of this Agreement or the performance or breach of this Agreement. The parties stipulate that the venues referenced in this Agreement are convenient and waive any claim of non-convenience.

XIII. OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS

Upon completion or termination of this Agreement, all documents (i.e., deliverables) prepared by or obtained by the Consultant as provided under the terms of this Agreement shall be delivered to and become the property of the City. Original basic survey notes, sketches, charts, drawings, partially completed drawings, computations, quantities and other data shall remain in the possession of the Consultant as instruments of service unless specifically incorporated in a

deliverable, but shall be made available, upon request, to the City without restriction or limitation on their use. The City acknowledges that the documents are prepared only for the Project. Prior to completion of the contracted Services the City shall have a recognized proprietary interest in the work product of the Consultant.

Unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, any intellectual property owned by Consultant prior to the effective date of this Agreement (i.e., preexisting information) shall remain the exclusive property of Consultant even if such Preexisting Information is embedded or otherwise incorporated in materials or products first produced as a result of this Agreement or used to develop Deliverables. The City's right under this provision shall not apply to any Preexisting Information or any component thereof regardless of form or media.

XIV. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Consultant certifies it has no financial interest in the Services to be provided under this Agreement other than the compensation specified herein. Consultant further certifies that it presently has no personal or financial interest, and shall not acquire any such interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner with its performance of the Services under this Agreement.

XV. SEVERABILITY OF PROVISIONS

Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement will be interpreted in a manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law. However, if any provision of this Agreement or the application of any provision to any party or circumstance will be prohibited by or invalid under applicable law, that provision will be ineffective to the extent of the prohibition or invalidity without invalidating the remainder of the provisions of this Agreement or the application of the provision to other parties and circumstances.

XVI. EXTENT OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement, together with any affixed exhibits, schedules or other documentation, constitutes the entire understanding between the City and the Consultant with respect to the subject matter of the Agreement and it supersedes, unless otherwise incorporated by reference herein, all prior representations, negotiations, agreements or understandings whether written or oral. Neither party has relied on any prior representations, of any kind or nature, in entering into this Agreement. This Agreement may be altered, amended or modified only by written amendment signed by the Consultant and the City.

FOR CONSULTANT

FOR THE CITY OF ANN ARBOR

By _____
Paul Krutko, Executive Director

By _____
John Hieftje, Mayor

By

Jacqueline Beaudry, City Clerk

Approved as to substance

Steven D. Powers, City Administrator

Approved as to Form and Content

Stephen K. Postema, City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

SCOPE OF SERVICES

Consultant agrees to provide the following services to the City of Ann Arbor in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement:

1. Conduct economic development efforts within the boundaries of the City of Ann Arbor concurrently with consultant's economic development efforts on a County-wide basis to benefit all citizens of the County.
2. Attract new industry within the boundaries of City of Ann Arbor concurrently with consultant's County-wide responsibilities.
3. Coordinate services for economic development to eliminate duplication of efforts.
4. Provide a continuous communications mechanism between leaders of government and the private sector in addressing economic development needs and concerns,
5. Work directly with the City Administrator, executive staff and City Council as appropriate to understand and properly serve the economic development interest of the City.

It is agreed by the parties that the specific deliverables under this Agreement, the manner of rendition of services, the duties of responsible individuals, the keeping of accounts and records for the receipt and expenditure of funds and accounting shall be in accordance with the Ann Arbor SPARK Operating Procedures, unless otherwise specified in writing by the City.

EXHIBIT B
FEE SCHEDULE

The total fee to be paid the Consultant for the services shall not exceed \$75,000. Payment shall be made in one installment of \$75,000 and shall be paid upon execution of this agreement.

EXHIBIT C

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Effective the date of this Agreement, and continuing without interruption during the term of this Agreement, Consultant shall provide certificates of insurance to the City on behalf of itself, and when requested any subcontractor(s). The certificates of insurance shall meet the following minimum requirements.

- A..
1. Errors and Omissions Insurance protecting the Consultant and its employees in an amount not less than \$1,000,000.
 2. Worker's Compensation Insurance in accordance with all applicable state and federal statutes. Further, Employers Liability Coverage shall be obtained in the following minimum amounts:

Bodily Injury by Accident - \$500,000 each accident
Bodily Injury by Disease - \$500,000 each employee
Bodily Injury by Disease - \$500,000 each policy limit
 3. Commercial General Liability Insurance equivalent to, as a minimum, Insurance Services Office form CG 00 01 07 98 or current equivalent. The City of Ann Arbor shall be an additional insured. There shall be no added exclusions or limiting endorsements which diminish the City's protections as an additional insured under the policy. Further, the following minimum limits of liability are required:

\$1,000,000 Each occurrence as respect Bodily Injury Liability or Property Damage Liability, or both combined
\$2,000,000 Per Job General Aggregate
\$1,000,000 Personal and Advertising Injury
 4. Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance, including Michigan No-Fault Coverages, equivalent to, as a minimum, Insurance Services Office form CA 00 01 07 97 or current equivalent. The City of Ann Arbor shall be an additional insured. There shall be no added exclusions or limiting endorsements which diminish the City's protections as an additional insured under the policy. Coverage shall include all owned vehicles, all non-owned vehicles and all hired vehicles. Further, the limits of liability shall be \$1,000,000 for each occurrence as respects Bodily Injury Liability or Property Damage Liability, or both combined.
 5. Umbrella/Excess Liability Insurance shall be provided to apply in excess of the Commercial General Liability, Employers Liability and the Motor

Vehicle coverage enumerated above, for each occurrence and for aggregate in the amount of \$1,000,000.

- B. Insurance required under A. 3 and A. 4 of this contract shall be considered primary as respects any other valid or collectible insurance that the City may possess, including any self-insured retentions the City may have; and any other insurance the City does possess shall be considered excess insurance only and shall not be required to contribute with this insurance. Further, the Consultant agrees to waive any right of recovery by its insurer against the City.

- C. Documentation must provide and demonstrate an unconditional 30 day written notice of cancellation in favor of the City of Ann Arbor. Further, the documentation must explicitly state the following: (a) the policy number; name of insurance company; name and address of the agent or authorized representative; name and address of insured; project name; policy expiration date; and specific coverage amounts; (b) any deductibles or self-insured retentions which shall be approved by the City, in its sole discretion; (c) that the policy conforms to the requirements specified. An original certificate of insurance may be provided as an initial indication of the required insurance, provided that no later than 21 calendar days after commencement of any work the Consultant supplies a copy of the endorsements required on the policies. Upon request, the Consultant shall provide within 30 days a copy of the policy(ies) to the City. If any of the above coverages expire by their terms during the term of this contract, the Consultant shall deliver proof of renewal and/or new policies to the Administering Service Area/Unit at least ten days prior to the expiration date.