RESOLUTION NO. 13-1126

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, TO APPROVE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR RFQ 2013-36, AGENT/BROKER OF RECORD FOR **INSURANCE** SERVICES, TO A&A **INSURANCE.** INC.; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE **CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT; PROVIDING** FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Miami Lakes (the "Town") issued Request for Qualifications

("RFQ") No. 2013-36 on May 14, 2013, for Agent/Broker of Record for Insurance Services; and

WHEREAS, the Town Manager, after reviewing the evaluation by the Insurance Services

Evaluation Committee, has recommended that the Town Council select the agent, and Award

Contract RFQ 2013-36 to one of the three (3) finalists, A&A Insurance Services, Inc., Citrin

Financial and Insurance, and Pinetree Benefit Solutions; and

WHEREAS, A&A Insurance, Inc. will be responsible for providing Insurance Agent/Broker

Professional Services for the provision of health, dental, and life insurance for the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council selects A&A Insurance, Inc. as agent of record and

authorizes the Town Manager to enter into contract, which is hereby attached as Exhibit "A", with

A&A Insurance, Inc., for Award of Contract RFQ 2013-36, for Agent/Broker of Record for

Insurance Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. <u>Recitals.</u> The foregoing Recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Approval of the Contract. The Town Council hereby approves the award of RFQ No. 2013-36, to A&A Insurance, Inc. for Agent/Broker of Record for Insurance Services.

Section 3. Authorization of Town Officials. The Town Manager and/or his designee and the Town Attorney are authorized to take all steps necessary to implement the terms and conditions of the Contract with A&A Insurance, Inc. for Agent/Broker of Record for Insurance Services.

<u>Section 4</u>. Authorization of Fund Expenditure. The Town Manager is authorized to expend budgeted funds to implement the terms and conditions of the Contract.

Section 5. Execution of the Contract. The Town Manager is authorized to execute the Contract with A&A Insurance, Inc. for Agent/Broker of Record for Insurance on behalf of the Town, in substantially the form attached hereto.

INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK

Section 6. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 3 day of 4 and 3, 2013.

Motion to adopt by Nebon Rodngurz, second by Manny Cic

FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION

Mayor Ceasar Mestre Vice Mayor Manny Cid Councilmember Tim Daubert Councilmember Nelson Hernandez Councilmember Tony Lama Councilmember Nelson Rodriguez

Ceasar Mestre MAYOR

Attest: Marjorie Tejeda

TOWN CLERK

Approve as to Form and Legal Sufficiency

Joseph S. Geller Greenspoon Marder PA TOWN ATTORNEY

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT AGENT/BROKER OF RECORD FOR INSURANCE SERVICES

2013-36



The Town of Miami Lakes Council:

Mayor Ceasar Mestre Vice Mayor Manny Cid Councilmember Timothy Daubert Councilmember Nelson Hernandez Councilmember Tony Lama Councilmember Nelson Rodriguez

> Alex Rey, Town Manager The Town of Miami Lakes 6100 Main Street Miami Lakes, Florida 33014

TABLE OF CONTENTS

ARTICLE	TITLE	PAGE
Article 1	Defenitions	
Article 2	Term	4
Article 3	Order of Precedence	4
Article 4	Notices	
Article 5	Compensation	5
Article 6	Additional Services	5
Article 7	Indemnification	6
Article 8	Insurance	6
Article 9	Performance	8
Article 10	Annual Plan Proposals	8
Article 11	Removal of Unsatisfactory Personnel	
Article 12	Consultant Key Staff	
Article 13	Independent Consultant	
Article 14	Subconsultants	
Article 15	Authority of Town's Project Manager	
Article 16	Assumptions, Parameters, Projections, Estimates and Explanation	<u>ns</u> 11
Article 17	Patent & Copyright Infringement	
Article 18	Nondisclosure	
Article 19	Documents and Records	
Article 20	Maintenance of Records	
Article 21	Default	
Article 22	Termination of Agreement	
Article 23	Successors and Assigns	
Article 24	Resolution of Disputes	
Article 25	Mediation - Waiver of Jury Trial	
Article 26	Priority of Provisions	
Article 27	Compliance with Laws	
Article 28	Discretion of Town Manager	
Article 29	Contingency Clause	
Article 30	Third Party Beneficiary	
Article 31	No Estoppel	
Article 32	Interpretation	
Article 33	Joint Preparation	
Article 34	Applicable Law and Venue of Litigation	
Article 35	Severability	
Article 36	Entire Agreement	

This Agreement made this <u>13'</u> day of **August** in the year **2013** ("Agreement") by and between the Town of Miami Lakes, Florida, hereinafter called the "Town," **A&A Insurance Services, Inc.**, hereinafter called the "Consultant", a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, having its principal office at **5102 NW 122nd Avenue, Coral Springs, Florida 33076.**

RECITAL

A. The Town issued a Request for Proposals ("RFP") 2013-36 on May 14, 2013 for the provision of professional services ("Services") to serve as the Agent/Broker of Record for Insurance Services ("Services") and Consultant's proposal ("Proposal"), in response thereto, was selected as one of the most qualified for the provision of said Services. The RFP and the Proposal are sometimes referred to herein, collectively, as the Solicitation Documents, and are by reference is expressly incorporated into and made a part of this Agreement as if set forth in full.

B. WHEREAS, the Town, through action of the Town Manager and/or the Town Council, as applicable, has selected the Consultant in accordance with, Florida Statutes, and the applicable provisions of the Town Procurement Ordinance, to provide the professional services as described herein.

WITNESSETH, that the Town and the Consultant, for the considerations herein set forth, agree as follows:

SECTION A GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Article 1 <u>Definitions</u>Additional Services means any Services that increase, decrease, or otherwise modifies the Scope of Services.

Attachments mean any Attachments to this Agreement which are expressly incorporated by reference and made a part of this Agreement as if set forth in full.

Consultant means the individual, partnership, corporation, association, joint venture, or any combination thereof, which has entered into the Agreement to provide the professional services to the Town required by this Agreement.

Deliverables mean all documentation and any items of any nature submitted by the Consultant to the Town's Project Manager for review and acceptance pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

3

Flat Fee means the cost to the Town for the Consultant to provide the Services under this Agreement.

Procurement Manager means the Town's Procurement Manager whom is responsible for the management of the Agreement.

Professional Services means those services within the scope of the insurance services, as defined by the laws of the State of Florida and the federal government, or those routinely and typically performed by any insurance agent or broker in connection within its professional practice for the Services provided under this Agreement.

Program means the insurance plans the Consultant will provide under the Agreement.

Project Manager means an employee or representative of the Town designated by the Town Manager to manage the Services to be performed under this Agreement.

Scope of Services or Services means the comprehensive description of the activities, tasks, design features, objectives, deliverables and milestones contained in this Agreement, which are required for the completion of work performed by the Consultant, under this Agreement.

Town Council means the legislative body of the Town of Miami Lakes.

Town Manager means the duly appointed chief administrative officer of the Town of Miami Lakes or designee.

Town or Owner means the Town of Miami Lakes, Florida, a Florida municipal corporation, the public agency which is a party hereto and for which this Agreement is to be performed. In all respects hereunder, Town's performance is pursuant to Town's position as the Owner of the Project. In the event the Town exercises its regulatory authority as a governmental body, the exercise of such regulatory authority and the enforcement of any rules, regulations, codes, laws and ordinances shall be deemed to have occurred pursuant to Town's authority as a governmental body and shall not be attributable in any manner to Town as a party to this Agreement. The Town of Miami Lakes shall be referred to herein as "Town". For the purposes of this Agreement, "Town" without modification shall mean the Town Manager.

Article 2 Term

The Agreement shall be effective upon its execution by the Town and shall be for an initial term of three years commencing on the date of execution of the Agreement. The Town, at its sole discretion may exercise an option to renew ("OTR") for two (2) additional one (1) year periods. The Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until all of the Services have been completed and the Town has issued final payment to the Consultant.

Article 3 Order of Precedence

Should a conflict exist between or among the provisions of, or the Attachments to the Agreement, the order of precedence shall be as follows: 1) these terms and conditions of the Agreement, 2) Attachments to the Agreement, 3) the Town's RFP No. 2013-36 and any associated addenda and attachments thereto, and 4) the Consultant's Proposal.

Article 4 <u>Notices</u>

Whenever either party desires to give notice unto the other, such notice must be in writing, sent by registered or certified United States mail, return receipt requested, delivered personally, or delivered via e-mail addressed to the party for whom it is intended at the place/address last specified; and the place for giving of notice shall remain such until it shall have been changed by written notice to or by the Procurement Manager. For the present, the parties designate the following as the respective places for giving of notice:

For Town of Miami: Alex Rey Town Manager 15150 NW 79th Terrace Miami, Florida 33016 reya@miamilakes-fl.gov

With a copy to: Gary Fabrikant, Procurement Manager 15150 NW 79th Terrace Miami, Florida 33016 fabrikantg@miamilakes-fl.gov

For Consultant: Ms. Ana Roque President A&A Insurance Services, Inc. 5102 NW 122nd Avenue Coral Springs. Florida 33076 (954) 993-4070 Anaroques01@gmail.com

Article 5 Compensation

Consultant shall receive payments in the form of commissions from the insurance carriers and no amount of compensation shall be paid directly by the Town.

Should the Town qualify for the large insurance category for a business the Town may negotiate with the Consultant for a flat rate fee in lieu of the insurance company receiving compensation directly from the carriers.

The Consultant will disclose to the Town any and all commissions received by the Consultant for the Services provided to Town pursuant to this Agreement. Such commissions shall not include and the Consultant shall not accept in connection with the Services any additional remuneration. Any agreed upon price increase by the Town shall be capped at the maximum percentage stated in Attachment B of the Consultant's response to the RFP. Should the Agreement be changed to a flat rate fee the Consultant shall not accept any remuneration other than the amount(s) stipulated in the Agreement in connection with providing the Services.

Should the Town fall within the large employer category during the term of the Agreement the Town and Consultant shall agree upon a Flat Rate Fee, which would then become the Consultant's sole compensation for the Services provided under this Agreement.

The price for the insurance premium(s) shall be reviewed and approved by the Town each year of the Agreement, including option years.

All Services undertaken by the Consultant before the Town's approval of this Agreement shall be at the Consultant's own risk and expense.

Article 6 Additional Services

Where the Town desires that the Consultant provide Additional Services, the Project Manager shall notify the Consultant in writing and provide the scope of the Additional Services. Consultant shall provide a written proposal to the Project Manager for review and the Project Manager may accept, reject, or negotiate the proposal. Upon acceptance by the Town, the Town will amend the Agreement and Purchase Order to include the scope and cost of the Additional Services.

When the Town desires to obtain additional insurance pursuant to this Agreement, not currently provided under the Agreement, it will notify the Consultant in writing of the specifics of the insurance required. The Consultant shall then proceed to obtain quotes for the requested insurance. At such time as the Consultant has completed the process, the Consultant shall submit the insurance options available to the Town, the Consultant's recommendations with explanation for the recommendation, and all costs, including premiums and costs, associated with each option. The Town shall review the options and shall either select one of the options available or reject all options. If the Town selects an option, the Town will issue a Purchase Order to the company or companies providing the insurance under that option.

Article 7 Indemnification

The Consultant shall hold harmless, indemnify and defend the Town, its officials and employees to the extent of and from any and all claims, losses and causes of actions which arise out of the performance of this Agreement as a direct result of any act of negligence or negligent omission, recklessness, or intentionally wrongful conduct of the Consultant. The Consultant shall pay all claims and losses of any nature whatsoever in connection therewith and shall defend all project related suits, in the name of the Town when applicable, and shall pay all costs, including without limitation reasonable attorney's and appellate attorney's fees, and judgments issued thereon. The Consultant's obligation under this paragraph shall not be limited in any way by the agreed upon compensation, or the Consultant's limit of, or lack of, sufficient insurance protection and shall apply to the full extent that it is caused by the negligence, act, omission, recklessness or intentional wrongful conduct of the Consultants, its agents, servants, or representatives, but only to the extent such claims, losses and causes of action are not caused solely by the Town its agents, servants or representatives.

Article 8 Insurance

The Consultant shall not start Services under this Agreement until the Consultant has obtained all insurance required hereunder and the Town has approved such insurance.

All insurance policies shall be issued by companies authorized to do business under the laws of the State of Florida and satisfactory to the Town Manager. All companies shall have a Florida resident agent and be rated at least B as to management and Class V as to financial strength, as per A.M. Best Company's Best Insurance Guide, latest edition or its equivalent.

The insurance shall be primary to any other insurance available to the additional insured with respect to claims covered under the policy and that insurance applies separately to each insured against whom claims are made or suit is brought, but the inclusion of more than one insured shall not operate to increase the insurer's limit of liability.

The company must hold a valid Florida Certificate of Authority as shown in the latest "List of All Insurance Companies Authorized or Approved to Do Business in Florida", issued by the State of Florida Department of Insurance and are members of the Florida Guaranty Fund.

The Consultant shall furnish certificates of insurance to the Town Manager for review and approval prior to the execution of this Agreement. The Certificates shall clearly indicate that the Consultant has obtained insurance of the type, amount and classification required by these provisions, in excess of any pending claims at the time of contract award to the Consultant. Consultant shall maintain coverage with equal or better rating as identified herein for the term of this Agreement. Consultant shall provide written notice to the Town Manager of any material change, cancellation and/or notice of non-renewal of the insurance within 30 days of the change. Consultant shall furnish a copy of the insurance policy or policies upon request of the Town Manager within ten (10) days of written request. The Certificate(s) of Insurance must include the Town's Agreement Number and Title.

The insurance coverage required shall include those classifications, as listed in standard liability insurance manuals, which most nearly reflect the operation of the Consultant.

Commercial General Liability

The Consultant shall maintain commercial general liability coverage with limits of at least \$300,000 combines single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage. The Town shall be listed as an additional insured with respect to this coverage.

Business Automobile Liability

The Consultant shall provide business automobile liability coverage with limits not less than \$500,000 each occurrence combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage including coverage's for owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles and/or equipment as applicable. This policy of insurance shall be written in an "occurrence" based format.

Professional Liability Insurance

The Consultant shall maintain Professional Liability Insurance in the minimum amount of 1,000,000.

Worker's Compensation Insurance

The Consultant shall maintain Worker's Compensation Insurance in compliance with Florida Statutes, Chapter 440, as amended.

Additional Insured

The Town is to be specifically included as an Additional Insured under the Commercial General and Business Automobile Liability. This must be reflected in the "Description of Operations" section of the Certificate of Insurance.

Modifications To Coverage

The Town Manager reserves the right to require modifications, increases, or changes in the required insurance requirements, coverage, deductibles or other insurance obligations by providing a thirty (30) day written notice to the Consultant. Consultant shall comply with such requests unless the insurance coverage is not then readily available in the national market, and may request additional consideration from Town accompanied by justification.

Article 9 <u>Performance</u>

The Consultant shall provide the Services described in the Agreement, in a competent and professional manner satisfactory to the Town. The Town shall be entitled to a satisfactory performance of all Services described herein and to full and prompt cooperation by the Consultant in all aspects of the Services.

The Consultant agrees that at all times it will employ, maintain and assign to the performance of the Services a sufficient number of competent and qualified professionals and other personnel to meet the requirements of the Agreement.

In the performance of services, the services and hours Consultant is to work on any given day, will be entirely within Consultant's control and Town will rely upon Consultant to devote such time, as is reasonably necessary, to fulfill the intent and purpose of this Agreement, which is initially to source and provide on a cost effective basis, the benefit programs required by the Town to be effective as of <u>January 1, 2014</u>, providing for a minimum of thirty (30) days to hold an orderly open enrollment period for employees. The Town will provide the necessary support documents so Consultant can provide the benefit analysis in a time frame appropriate for a <u>January 1, 2014</u> effective date.

The Consultant shall comply with all provisions of all federal, state and local laws, statutes, ordinances, and regulations that are applicable to the performance of this Agreement.

Article 10 Annual Plan Proposals

Consultant shall meet with the Project Manager and any other Town representatives designated by the Town Manager as frequently as necessary during the development of the benefit plan options and presentation of the annual benefits plans, and establishing of the goals and objectives of the Town Benefits program.

(a) Initial Benefits Plan Proposals

Within <u>30</u> days of execution of the Agreement the Consultant shall provide to the Project Manager an annual benefits plan, which shall include multiple options for Health and Dental Insurance and provide details detailed explanations of benefits, and downsides for each option, and the Consultant's recommendation.

As part of the subsequent year plan proposals the Consultant shall:

- Research, design and propose employee benefit plans for the Town
- Provide an analysis of the proposed plans and identify available cost savings plan alternatives and creative funding options.
- Determine the appropriate employee and employer benefit contribution levels.
- Provide Town with information on what other municipalities and companies of comparable size and location are currently doing or will be doing with their benefits in the upcoming plan year.
- Conduct negotiations and develop appropriate information for management purposes.
- Prepare and present a written analytical report of the proposals received including recommendation(s) and supporting documentation for recommendations.
- Review plan documents (employee booklets) and master contracts before adoption and printing.
- Assist with developing Town employee benefit program communication materials. Coordinate the design, printing and production of those materials, as edited and approved by the Town's Benefits Administrator.
- Advise and assist the Project Manager with the review of contracts, plan documents, insurance policies and other documents for applicability, accuracy, consistency, and legal compliance.
- Assist Town with the development of performance guarantees relating to vendors' performance of services to the Town, and evaluation of the performance of vendors.

(b) Subsequent Year Benefits Plan Proposals

For subsequent years of the Agreement the Consultant shall provide the Project Manager an annual benefits plan, which shall include multiple options for Health and Dental Insurance and provide details detailed explanations of benefits, and downsides for each option, and the Consultant's recommendation. The annual benefit plan proposal must be submitted to the Project Manager no later than sixty (60) days prior to the open enrollment period.

As part of the subsequent year plan proposals the Consultant shall:

 Using current and historical Town health and medical benefit plans as benchmarks, research, design and propose employee benefit plans for the Town as appropriate.

- Provide an analysis of the current plan, including a review of current and past performance
- Review additional available cost savings plan alternatives and creative funding options.
- Determine the appropriate employee and employer benefit contribution levels.
- Review and recommend annual contribution strategy from active participants and retirees.
- Provide Town with information on what other municipalities of comparable size and location will be doing with their benefits in the upcoming plan year.
- Conduct renewal negotiations and develop appropriate information for management purposes.
- Prepare and present a written analytical report of the proposals received including recommendation(s) and supporting documentation for recommendations.
- Review plan documents (employee booklets) and master contracts before adoption and printing.
- Assist with the planning and implementation of selected changes including transition from the current to new vendors, the renewal proposal, and other benefits changes.
- Assist with developing Town employee benefit program communication materials. Coordinate the design, printing and production of those materials, as edited and approved by the Town's Project Manager.
- Advise and assist the Town's Project Manager with the review of contracts, plan documents, insurance policies and other documents for applicability, accuracy, consistency, and legal compliance.
- Assist Town with the development of performance guarantees relating to vendors' performance of services to the Town, and evaluation of the performance of vendors.

Article 11 <u>Removal of Unsatisfactory Personnel</u>

The Town Manager may make written request to Consultant for the prompt replacement of any personnel employed or retained by the Consultant, or any Subconsultants or subcontractors, or any personnel of any such Subconsultants or subcontractors engaged by the Consultant to provide and perform Services pursuant to the requirements of this Agreement. All decisions involving personnel will be made by Consultant. Such request shall solely relate to said employees work under this Agreement.

Consultant shall defend, hold harmless and indemnify the Town and shall be liable and responsible for any and all claims, suits, actions, damages and costs (including attorney's fees and court costs) made against the Town, to the extent occurring on account of, arising from or in connection with the removal and replacement of any Consultant 's personnel performing services hereunder.

Article 12 Consultant Key Staff

The parties acknowledge that Consultant was selected by Town, in part, on the basis of qualifications of particular staff identified in Consultant's response to Town's solicitation, hereinafter referred to as "Key Staff". Consultant shall ensure that Key Staff identified in Attachment C are available for Services hereunder as long as said Key Staff is in Consultant's employ. Consultant will obtain prior written acceptance of Town Manager or designee to change Key Staff. Consultant shall provide the Town Manager with such information as necessary to determine the suitability of proposed new Key Staff. The Town Manager will act reasonably in evaluating Key Staff qualifications. Such acceptance shall not constitute any responsibility or liability for the individual's ability to perform.

Article 13 Independent Consultant

The Consultant is engaged as an independent business and agrees to perform Services as an independent consultant. In accordance with the status of an independent consultant, the Consultant covenants and agrees that the Consultant will conduct business in a manner consistent with that status, that the Consultant will not claim to be an officer or employee of the Town for any right or privilege applicable to an officer or employee of the Town, including, but not limited to: worker's compensation coverage; unemployment insurance benefits; social security coverage; retirement membership, or credit.

Article 14 Subconsultants

Consultant must directly provide all Services. Any subcontracting of the Services to be performed must be authorized in writing in advance by the Project Manager.

Article 15 Authority of Town's Project Manager

The Town Manager hereby authorizes the Project Manager to determine in the first instance, all questions of any nature whatsoever arising out of, under or in connection with, or in any way relating to or on account of the Services, including without limitation, questions as to the value, acceptability and fitness of the Services; questions as to either party's fulfillment of its obligations under the Agreement and questions as to the interpretation of the Services to be performed under the Agreement.

The Consultant shall be bound by all determinations or orders of the Project Manager and shall promptly respond to requests of the Project Manager, including the withdrawal or modification of any previous order, and regardless of whether the Consultant agrees with the Project Manager's determination or requests.

The Project Manager and the Town will not be responsible for the acts or omissions of the Consultant, or any of their agents or employees, or any other persons performing any of the Work.

Article 16 Assumptions, Parameters, Projections, Estimates and Explanations

The Consultant understands and agrees that any assumptions, parameters, projections, estimates and explanations presented by the Town may be provided to the Consultant for evaluation purposes only. However, since these assumptions, parameters, projections, estimates and explanations represent predictions of future events the town makes no representations or guarantees; and the Town shall not be responsible for the accuracy of

the assumptions presented; and the Town shall not be responsible for conclusions to be drawn therefrom; and any assumptions, parameters, projections, estimates and explanations shall not form the basis of any claim by the Consultant. The Consultant accepts all risk associated with using this information.

Article 17 Patent & Copyright Infringement

The Consultant shall not infringe any copyright, trademark, service mark, trade secrets, patent rights, or other intellectual property rights in the performance of the Services. The Consultant warrants that all Deliverables furnished hereunder, including but not limited to: programs, documentation, software, analyses, applications, methods, ways, processes, and the like, do not infringe upon or violate any patent, copyrights, service marks, trade secret, or any other third party proprietary rights.

The Consultant shall be liable and responsible for any and all claims made against the Town for infringement of patents, copyrights, service marks, trade secrets or any other third party proprietary rights, by the use or supplying of any programs, documentation, software, analyses, applications, methods, ways, processes, and the like, in the course of performance or completion of, or in any way connected with providing the Services, or the Town's continued use of the Deliverables furnished hereunder. Consultant at its own expense, including the payment of attorney's fees, shall indemnify, and hold harmless the Town and defend any action brought against the Town with respect to any claim, demand, cause of action, debt, or liability. Consultant shall notify the Town within forty-eight (48) hours of any action by a third party alleging any infringement as detailed above.

Article 18 Nondisclosure

To the extent allowed by law, Consultant agrees not to divulge, furnish or make available to any third person, firm or organization any Deliverables, materials, data, transactions of all forms, financial information, documents or other similar information or documentation, without Town Manager's prior written consent unless required by law. This includes all Town employee information and Town financial information, which shall be considered confidential information. Consultant shall immediately notify the Town of any disclosure of such information by its employees or agents. The Town may seek injunctive relief to restrain any such breach or potential breach. Consultant may disclose any such information (a) to all its directors, officers, employees, representatives who need to know such information for the purpose of furthering the Agreement, (b) to any insurance carrier for the purpose of furthering the Agreement, (c) if required to do so in connection with any legal proceeding, or (d) if otherwise required by law or requested by any government or governmental agency or authority with valid jurisdiction.

Article 19 Documents and Records

Consultant acknowledges and agrees that the Town retains all rights, title, and interest in and to all materials, data, documentation, and copies of thereof furnished by the Town to the Consultant.

All documents, data, computer files, and/or reports prepared or obtained under this Agreement by the Consultant, as well as all data collected, together with summaries and charts derived therefrom, including all electronic digital copies shall be considered works made for hire and are the property of the Town. The Town shall retain all rights, title, and interest and the neither the Consultant nor its employees or agents shall have any proprietary or ownership rights to any of the above.

Article 20 Maintenance of Records

Consultant will keep adequate records and supporting documentation, which concern or reflect its services hereunder. Records subject to the provisions of Public Record Law, Florida Statutes Chapter 119, shall be kept in accordance with statute. Otherwise, the records and documentation will be retained by Consultant for a minimum of three (3) years from the date of final payment or termination of this Agreement. Town, or any duly authorized agents or representatives of Town, shall have the right to audit, inspect, and copy all such records and documentation as often as they deem necessary during the period of this Agreement and during the three (3) year period noted above; provided, however such activity shall be conducted only during normal business hours. The Consultant agrees to furnish copies of any records necessary, in the opinion of the Town Manager, to approve any requests for payment by the Consultant.

Article 21 Default

a. General

If Consultant fails to comply with any term or condition of this Agreement, or fails to perform any of its obligations hereunder, then Consultant shall be in default. Upon the occurrence of a default hereunder the Town, in addition to all remedies available to it by law, may immediately, upon written notice to Consultant, terminate this Agreement whereupon all payments, advances, or other compensation paid by the Town to Consultant while Consultant was in default shall be immediately returned to the Town. Consultant understands and agrees that termination of this Agreement under this section shall not release Consultant from any obligation accruing prior to the effective date of termination.

In the event of termination due to default, in addition to the foregoing, Consultant shall be liable to the Town for all expenses incurred by the Town in preparing and negotiating this Agreement, as well as all costs and expenses incurred by the Town in the re-procurement of the Services, including consequential and incidental damages. In the event of default, Town may also suspend or withhold reimbursements from Consultant until such time as the actions giving rise to default have been cured.

b. Conditions of Default

Conditions of default include, but are not limited to:

- A finding of default and subsequent termination for cause may include, without limitation, any of the following:
- Consultant fails to obtain or maintain the required insurance.
- Consultant has failed to obtain the approval of the Town where required by the Agreement

- Consultant fails to comply, in a substantial or material sense, with any of its duties under this Agreement.
- Consultant fails to commence the Services within the time provided or contemplated herein, or fails to complete the Services in a timely manner as required by this Agreement.

c. Time To Cure Default; Force Majeure

Town through the Procurement Manager shall provide written notice to Consultant as to a finding of default, and Consultant shall take all necessary action to cure said default within time stipulated in said notice, after which time the Town may terminate the Agreement. The Town at its sole discretion, may allow additional days to perform any required cure if Consultant provides written justification deemed reasonably sufficient.

Should any such failure on the part of Consultant be due to a condition of Force Majeure as that term is interpreted under Florida law, then the Town may allow an extension of time reasonably commensurate with the cause of such failure to perform or cure.

Article 22 Termination of Agreement

The Town, including the Town Manager, has the right to terminate this Agreement for any reason or no reason, upon ten (10) days' written notice. The date of notification shall serve as the effective date of termination and Consultant shall immediately stop all Services under this Agreement as of the date stipulated in the notification. Upon termination of this Agreement, all charts, sketches, studies, drawings, and other documents, including all electronic copies related to Services authorized under this Agreement, whether finished or not, must be turned over to the Town Manager. The Consultant shall be paid in accordance with provisions of this Agreement, provided that said documentation is turned over to Procurement Manager within ten (10) business days of termination. Failure to timely deliver the documentation shall be cause to withhold any payments due without recourse by Consultant until all documentation is delivered to the Procurement Manager or designee.

Consultant shall have no recourse or remedy from a termination made by the Town except to retain the fees earned compensation for the Services that was performed in complete compliance with this Agreement, as full and final settlement of any claim, action, demand, cost, charge or entitlement it may have, or will, have against the Town, its officials or employees.

Article 23 Successors and Assigns

The performance of this Agreement shall not be transferred pledged, sold, delegated or assigned, in whole or in part, by the Consultant without the written consent of the Town Council or Town Manager, as applicable. It is understood that a sale of the majority of the stock or partnership shares of the Consultant, a merger or bulk sale, an assignment for the benefit of creditors shall each be deemed transactions that would constitute an assignment or sale hereunder requiring prior Town approval. The Consultant's services are unique in nature and any transference without the prior written approval of the Town shall be cause for the Town to terminate this Agreement. The Consultant shall have no recourse from such cancellation.

The Consultant and the Town each binds one another, their partners, successors, legal representatives and authorized assigns to the other party of this Agreement and to the partners, successors, legal representatives and assigns of such party in respect to all covenants of this Agreement.

Article 24 <u>Resolution of Disputes</u>

Consultant understands and agrees that all disputes between it and the Town based upon an alleged violation of the terms of this Agreement by the Town shall be submitted for resolution in the following manner.

The initial step shall be for the Consultant to notify the Procurement Manager in writing of the dispute identified in Article 4, Notices. Consultant shall, within five (5) calendar days of the initial notification, all supporting documentation to the Procurement Manager. Failure to submit such appeal of the written finding shall constitute acceptance of the finding by the Consultant. Upon receipt of said documentation the Procurement Manager shall review the issues relative to the dispute and issue a written finding.

Should the Consultant and the Procurement Manager fail to resolve the dispute the Consultant shall submit their dispute in writing within five (5) calendar days to the Town Manager. Failure to submit such appeal of the written finding shall constitute acceptance of the finding by the Consultant. Upon receipt of said notification the Town Manager shall review the issues relative to the dispute and issue a written finding.

Appeal to the Town Manager for his/her resolution, is required prior to Consultant being entitled to seek mediation in connection therewith, as stipulated in Article 24.

Article 25 Mediation - Waiver of Jury Trial

In an effort to engage in a cooperative effort to resolve conflict which may arise during the course of the design and /or construction of the subject project(s), and/or following the completion of the projects(s), the parties to this Agreement agree all disputes between them shall be submitted to non-binding mediation prior to the initiation of litigation, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the parties. A certified Mediator, who the parties find mutually acceptable, will conduct any Mediation Proceedings in Miami-Dade County, State of Florida. The parties will split the costs of a certified mediator on a 50/50 basis. The Consultant agrees to include such similar contract provisions with all Subconsultants and/or independent contractors and/or Consultants retained for the project(s), thereby providing for non-binding mediation as the primary mechanism for dispute resolution.

In an effort to expedite the conclusion of any litigation the parties voluntarily waive their right to jury trial or to file permissive counterclaims in any action arising under this Agreement.

Article 26 Priority of Provisions

If there is a conflict or inconsistency between any term, statement, requirement, or provision of any exhibit attached hereto, any document or events referred to herein, or any document incorporated into this Agreement by reference and a term, statement,

requirement, or provision of this Agreement, the term, statement, requirement, or provision contained in this Agreement shall prevail and be given effect.

Article 27 <u>Compliance with Laws</u>

Consultant shall comply with all applicable laws, codes, ordinances, rules, regulations and resolutions including, without limitation, the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA"), as amended, and all applicable guidelines and standards in performing its duties, responsibilities, and obligations related to this Agreement. The Consultant represents and warrants that there shall be no unlawful discrimination as provided by law in connection with the performance of this Agreement.

a. Non-Discrimination

Consultant warrants and represents that it does not and will not engage in discriminatory practices and that there shall be no discrimination in connection with Consultant's performance under this Agreement on account of race, color, sex, religion, age, handicap, marital status or national origin. Consultant further covenants that no otherwise qualified individual shall, solely by reason of his/her race, color, sex, religion, age, handicap, marital status or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied services, or be subject to discrimination under any provision of this Agreement.

b.- OSHA Compliance

The Consultant warrants that it will comply with all safety precautions as required by federal, state or local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances to ensure employee safety.

c. ADA Compliance

Consultant shall affirmatively comply with all applicable provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA") in the course of providing any work, labor or services funded by the Town, including Titles I & II of the ADA (regarding nondiscrimination on the basis of disability) and all applicable regulations, guidelines and standards. Additionally-the Consultant shall take affirmative steps to-insure nondiscrimination in employment of disabled persons.

Article 28 Discretion of Town Manager

Any matter not expressly provided for herein dealing with the Town or decisions of the Town shall be within the exercise of the reasonable professional discretion of the Town Manager.

Article 29 Contingency Clause

Funding for this Agreement is contingent on the availability of funds and continued authorization for program activities and the Agreement is subject to amendment or termination due to lack of funds, reduction of funds and/or change in regulations, upon thirty (30) days notice.

Article 30 Third Party Beneficiary

Consultant and the Town agree that it is not intended that any provision of this Agreement establishes a third party beneficiary giving or allowing any claim or right of action whatsoever by any third party under this Agreement.

Article 31 No Estoppel

Neither the Town's review, approval and/or acceptance of, or payment for Services performed under this Agreement shall be construed to operate as a waiver of any rights under this Agreement of any cause of action arising out of the performance of this Agreement, and the Consultant shall be and remain liable to the Town in accordance with applicable laws for all damages to the Town caused by the Consultant's negligent performance of any of the Services under this Agreement. The rights and remedies provided for under this Agreement are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.

Where the Consultant is comprised of more than one legal entity, each such entity shall be jointly and severally liable under this Agreement.

Article 32 Interpretation

The language of this Agreement has been agreed to by both parties to express their mutual intent and no rule of strict construction shall be applied against either party hereto. The headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement. All personal pronouns used in this Agreement shall include the other gender, and the singular shall include the plural, and vice versa, unless the context otherwise requires. Terms such as "herein," "hereof," "hereunder," and "hereinafter" refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular sentence, paragraph, or section where they appear, unless the context otherwise requires. Whenever reference is made to a Section or Article of this Agreement, such reference is to the Section or Article as a whole, including all of the subsections of such Section, unless the reference is made to a particular subsection or subparagraph of such Section or Article.

Article 33 Joint Preparation

Preparation of this Agreement has been a joint effort of the Town and Consultant and the resulting document shall not, solely as a matter of judicial construction, be construed more severely against one of the parties than any other.

Article 34 Applicable Law and Venue of Litigation

This Agreement shall be interpreted and construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Florida. Any suit or action brought by any party, concerning this Agreement, or arising out of this Agreement, shall be brought in Miami-Dade County, Florida. Each party shall bear its own attorney's fees except in actions arising out of Consultant's duties to indemnify the Town Article 8 where Consultant shall pay the Town's reasonable attorney's fees.

Article 35 Severability

If this Agreement contains any provision found to be unlawful, the same shall be deemed to be of no effect and shall be deemed stricken from this Agreement without affecting the binding force of this Agreement as it shall remain after omitting such provision.

Article 36 Entire Agreement

This Agreement, as it may be amended from time to time, represents the entire and integrated Agreement between the Town and the Consultant and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations or agreements, written or oral. This Agreement may not be amended, changed, modified, or otherwise altered in any respect, at any time after the execution hereof, except by a written document executed with the same formality and equal dignity herewith. Waiver by either party of a breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any other breach of any provision of this Agreement.

END OF SECTION

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

WITNESS/ATTEST

Consultant, A&A Insurance Services, Inc.

Signature

Signature

Print Name, Title

Ana E. Roque, President Print Name, Title of Authorized Officer or Official

ATTEST:

(Corporate Seal)

Consultant Secretary (Affirm Consultant Seal, if available)

ATTEST:

Marjorie Tejeda, Town Clerk

Town of Miami Lakes, a municipal corporation of the State of Florida

Alex Rey, Town Manager

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM AND CORRECTNESS:

Attorney reenspoon

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

(IF CORPORATION)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of A&A Insurance Services, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, held on the ______day of _____, ____, a resolution was duly passed and adopted authorizing (Name) <u>ANA Roque</u> as (Title) <u>President</u> of the corporation to execute agreements on behalf of the corporation and providing that his/her execution thereof, attested by the secretary of the corporation, shall be the official act and deed of the corporation. I further certify that said resolution remains in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this $\frac{23}{3}$, day of <u>September</u>, 20<u>13</u>. Secretary: <u>NA</u>

Print:

NOTARIZATION

STATE OF Florids

) SS:

COUNTY OF HIASI DALE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 23 day of 507246a, 2013, by 424 8 Ro Qoe, who is personally known to me or who has produced FOI - R + 200 - 65 - 54420 as identification and who (did / did not) take an oath.

m

SIGNATURE OF NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF FLORIDA

NORLU BENITER

PRINTED, STAMPED OR TYPED NAME OF NOTARY PUBLIC



ATTACHMENT A - SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Request For Proposal (RFP), inclusive of its Scope of Work, and A&A Insurance Services, Inc. Submittal in response to the RFP are hereby incorporated into the Agreement and stipulate the Scope of Work to be performed by A&A Insurance Services, Inc.

END OF SECTION

Attachment C – Key Personnel

NAME	JOB CLASSIFICATION
Ana Roque	Agent of Record
Liz Martorella	Benefits Agent
Erika Scelzi	Account Executive