



**CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES  
BETWEEN  
THE CITY OF LOMITA AND SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**

This AGREEMENT for community engagement services in support of Local Travel Network implementation in Lomita is entered into this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 2025, by and between the CITY OF LOMITA, a general law city and municipal corporation (“CITY”) and SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (“CONTRACTOR”).

**RECITALS**

- A. CITY does not have the personnel able and/or available to perform the services required under this agreement.
- B. Therefore, CITY desires to contract out for community engagement services in support of Local Travel Network implementation in Lomita.
- C. CONTRACTOR warrants to CITY that it has the qualifications, experience and facilities to perform properly and timely the services under this Agreement.
- D. CITY desires to contract with CONTRACTOR to perform the services as described in **Exhibit A** of this Agreement.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, based on the foregoing recitals, CITY and CONTRACTOR agree as follows:

**1. CONSIDERATION AND COMPENSATION.**

- A. As partial consideration, CONTRACTOR agrees to perform the work listed in the SCOPE OF SERVICES, attached as **Exhibit A**;
- B. As an additional consideration, CONTRACTOR and CITY agree to abide by the terms and conditions contained in this Agreement.
- C. As additional consideration, CITY agrees to pay CONTRACTOR for CONTRACTOR’s estimated costs of its services as defined in **Exhibit A**, not to exceed \$40,000.00, unless otherwise specified by written amendment to this Agreement. The City Council has also approved an additional 15% of these estimated costs, or up to \$6,000.00, for unexpected contingencies, or a total, not-to-exceed amount of \$46,000.00. If CONTRACTOR incurs expenses exceeding its estimated costs of \$40,000.00, the CONTRACTOR must request such expenses

in writing, and the CITY's City Manager or his designee must approve of such requests, for CONTRACTOR to receive compensation for those costs.

- D. No additional compensation shall be paid for any other expenses incurred, unless first approved by the City Manager or his designee.
- E. CONTRACTOR shall submit to CITY, quarterly, its bill for services itemizing the fees and costs incurred during the previous quarter. CITY shall pay CONTRACTOR all uncontested amounts set forth in the CONTRACTOR'S bill within 30 days after it is received.

**2. SCOPE OF SERVICES.**

- A. CONTRACTOR will perform the services and activities set forth in the SCOPE OF SERVICES attached hereto as **Exhibit A** and incorporated herein by this reference. If any part of **Exhibit A** is inconsistent with the terms of this Agreement, the terms of this Agreement shall control.
- B. Except as herein otherwise expressly specified to be furnished by CITY, CONTRACTOR will, in a professional manner, furnish all the labor, technical, administrative, professional and other personnel, all supplies and materials, equipment, printing, vehicles, transportation, office space, and facilities necessary or proper to perform and complete the work and provide the professional services required of CONTRACTOR by this Agreement.

- 3. PAYMENTS.** For CITY to pay CONTRACTOR as specified by this Agreement, CONTRACTOR must submit an invoice to CITY which lists the reimbursable costs, the specific tasks performed, and, for work that includes deliverables, the percentage of the task completed during the billing period. Nothing in this Section shall entitle CONTRACTOR for compensation not specified in Section 1 of this Agreement.

- 4. TIME OF PERFORMANCE.** The services of CONTRACTOR are to commence upon receipt of a notice to proceed from CITY and shall continue until all authorized work is completed to CITY's reasonable satisfaction, in accordance with the schedule incorporated in "**Exhibit A**," unless extended in writing by CITY.

- 5. FAMILIARITY WITH WORK.** By executing this Agreement, CONTRACTOR represents that CONTRACTOR has (a) thoroughly investigated and considered the scope of services to be performed; (b) carefully considered how the services should be performed; and (c) understands the facilities, difficulties, and restrictions attending performance of the services under this Agreement.

- 6. KEY PERSONNEL.** CONTRACTOR's key persons assigned to perform work under this Agreement are the SBCCOG Transportation Team. CONTRACTOR shall not assign another person to be in charge of the work contemplated by this Agreement without the prior written authorization of CITY.

7. **TERM OF AGREEMENT.** The term of this Agreement shall commence upon execution by both parties and shall expire upon CITY providing CONTRACTOR with written notice of completion of the scope of work for the COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SERVICES IN SUPPORT OF LOCAL TRAVEL NETWORK IMPLEMENTATION IN LOMITA Project, unless earlier termination occurs under Section 14 of this Agreement or extended in writing in advance by both parties.
8. **CHANGES.** CITY may order changes in the services within the general scope of this Agreement, consisting of additions, deletions, or other revisions, and the contract sum, and the contract time will be adjusted accordingly. All such changes must be authorized in writing, executed by CONTRACTOR and CITY. The cost or credit to CITY resulting from changes in the services will be determined in accordance with the written agreement between the parties.
9. **TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER.** CONTRACTOR will provide CITY with a Taxpayer Identification Number.
10. **PERMITS AND LICENSES.** CONTRACTOR will obtain and maintain during the term of this Agreement all permits, licenses, and certificates that may be required by local, state, and federal laws in connection with the performance of services under this Agreement, including a business license as specified in Title VI, Chapter 2 of the Lomita Municipal Code.
11. **LAWS AND REGULATIONS; EMPLOYEE/LABOR CERTIFICATION.** CONTRACTOR shall keep itself fully informed of and in compliance with all local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations in any manner affecting the performance of the Project or the Services, including all Cal/OSHA requirements, and shall give all notices required by law. CONTRACTOR shall be liable for all violations of such laws and regulations in connection with the Services and this Agreement. All violations of such laws and regulations shall be grounds for CITY to terminate the Agreement for cause.
12. **TERMINATION.**
  - A. Except as otherwise provided, CITY may terminate this Agreement at any time with or without cause. Notice of termination shall be in writing.
  - B. CONTRACTOR may terminate this Agreement. Notice will be in writing at least 30 days before the effective termination date.
  - C. In the event of such termination, CONTRACTOR shall cease services as of the date of termination, all finished or unfinished documents, data, drawings, maps, and other materials prepared by CONTRACTOR shall, at CITY's option, become CITY's property, and CONTRACTOR will receive just and equitable compensation for any work satisfactorily completed up to the effective date of notice of termination.
  - D. Should the Agreement be terminated pursuant to this Section, CITY may procure on its own terms services similar to those terminated.

**13. INDEMNIFICATION.**

- A. CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend with counsel approved by CITY, and hold harmless CITY, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers from and against all liability, loss, damage, expense, cost (including without limitation reasonable attorneys fees, expert fees and all other costs and fees of litigation) of every nature arising out of or in connection with CONTRACTOR's performance of work hereunder or its failure to comply with any of its obligations contained in this AGREEMENT, regardless of CITY'S passive negligence, but excepting such loss or damage which is caused by the sole active negligence or willful misconduct of CITY. Should CITY in its sole discretion find CONTRACTOR'S legal counsel unacceptable, then CONTRACTOR shall reimburse CITY its costs of defense, including without limitation reasonable attorneys fees, expert fees and all other costs and fees of litigation. CONTRACTOR shall promptly pay any final judgment rendered against CITY (and its officers, officials, employees and volunteers) covered by this indemnity obligation. It is expressly understood and agreed that the foregoing provisions are intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the law of the State of California and will survive termination of this Agreement.
- B. The requirements as to the types and limits of insurance coverage to be maintained by CONTRACTOR as required by Section 20, and any approval of said insurance by CITY, are not intended to and will not in any manner limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations otherwise assumed by CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Agreement, including, without limitation, to the provisions concerning indemnification.

**14. ASSIGNABILITY.** This Agreement is for CONTRACTOR's professional services. CONTRACTOR's attempts to assign the benefits or burdens of this Agreement without CITY's written approval are prohibited and will be null and void.

**15. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR.** CITY and CONTRACTOR agree that THE CONTRACTOR will act as an independent contractor and will have control of all work and the manner in which it is performed. THE CONTRACTOR will be free to contract for similar service to be performed for other employees while under contract with CITY. CONTRACTOR is not an agent or employee of CITY and is not entitled to participate in any pension plan, insurance, bonus or similar benefits CITY provides for its employees. Any provision in this Agreement that may appear to give CITY the right to direct CONTRACTOR as to the details of doing the work or to exercise a measure of control over the work means that CONTRACTOR will follow the direction of the CITY as to end results of the work only.

**16. AUDIT OF RECORDS.**

- A. THE CONTRACTOR agrees that CITY, or designee, has the right to review, obtain, and copy all records pertaining to the performance of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide CITY, or designee, with any relevant information requested and will permit CITY, or designee, access to its

premises, upon reasonable notice, during normal business hours for the purpose of interviewing employees and inspecting and copying such books, records, accounts, and other material that may be relevant to a matter under investigation for the purpose of determining compliance with this Agreement. CONTRACTOR further agrees to maintain such records for a period of three (3) years following final payment under this Agreement.

B. CONTRACTOR will keep all books, records, accounts and documents pertaining to this Agreement separate from other activities unrelated to this Agreement.

17. **CORRECTIVE MEASURES.** CONTRACTOR will promptly implement any corrective measures required by CITY regarding the requirements and obligations of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR will be given a reasonable amount of time as determined by CITY to implement said corrective measures. Failure of CONTRACTOR to implement required corrective measures shall result in immediate termination of this Agreement.

18. **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS.**

A. CONTRACTOR, at CONTRACTOR's own cost and expense, shall procure and maintain, for the duration of the contract, the following insurance policies:

1. Workers Compensation Insurance as required by law. CONTRACTOR shall require all subcontractors similarly to provide such compensation insurance for their respective employees. Any notice of cancellation or non-renewal of all Workers' Compensation policies must be received by CITY at least thirty (30) days prior to such change. The insurer shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against CITY, its officers, agents, employees, and volunteers for losses arising from work performed by CONTRACTOR for CITY.

2. General Liability Coverage. CONTRACTOR shall maintain commercial general liability insurance in an amount of not less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage. If a commercial general liability insurance form or other form with a general aggregate limit is used, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to the work to be performed under this Agreement or the general aggregate limit shall be at least twice the required occurrence limit.

3. Automobile Liability Coverage. CONTRACTOR shall maintain automobile liability insurance covering bodily injury and property damage for all activities of CONTRACTOR arising out of or in connection with the work to be performed under this Agreement, including coverage for owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles, in an amount of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) combined single limit for each occurrence.

B. Endorsements. Each general liability, automobile liability and professional liability insurance policy shall be issued by a financially responsible insurance

company or companies admitted and authorized to do business in the State of California, or which is approved in writing by CITY, and shall be endorsed as follows. CONTRACTOR also agrees to require all contractors, and subcontractors to do likewise.

1. "The CITY, its elected or appointed officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds with respect to liability arising out of work performed by or on behalf of the CONTRACTOR, including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations."
  2. This policy shall be considered primary insurance as respects CITY, its elected or appointed officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers. Any insurance maintained by CITY, including any self-insured retention CITY may have, shall be considered excess insurance only and shall not contribute with this policy.
  3. This insurance shall act for each insured and additional insured as though a separate policy had been written for each, except with respect to the limits of liability of the insuring company.
  4. The insurer waives all rights of subrogation against CITY, its elected or appointed officers, officials, employees, or agents.
  5. Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect coverage provided to CITY, its elected or appointed officers, officials, employees, agents, or volunteers.
  6. The insurance provided by this policy shall not be suspended, voided, canceled, or reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days' written notice has been received by CITY.
- C. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide immediate notice to CITY of any claim or loss against Contractor arising out of the work performed under this agreement. CITY assumes no obligation or liability by such notice, but has the right (but not the duty) to monitor the handling of any such claim or claims if they are likely to involve CITY.
- D. Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by CITY. At CITY's option, CONTRACTOR shall demonstrate financial capability for payment of such deductibles or self-insured retentions.
- E. CONTRACTOR shall provide certificates of insurance with original endorsements to CITY as evidence of the insurance coverage required herein. Certificates of such insurance shall be filed with CITY on or before commencement of performance of this Agreement. Current certification of insurance shall be kept on file with CITY at all times during the term of this Agreement.

- F. Failure on the part of CONTRACTOR to procure or maintain the required insurance shall constitute a material breach of contract under which CITY may terminate this Agreement pursuant to Section 14 above.
- G. The commercial general and automobile liability policies required by this Agreement shall allow CITY, as additional insured, to satisfy the self-insured retention ("SIR") and/or deductible of the policy in lieu of the CONTRACTOR (as the named insured) should CONTRACTOR fail to pay the SIR or deductible requirements. The amount of the SIR or deductible shall be subject to the approval of the City Attorney and the Finance Director. CONTRACTOR understands and agrees that satisfaction of this requirement is an express condition precedent to the effectiveness of this Agreement. Failure by CONTRACTOR as primary insured to pay its SIR or deductible constitutes a material breach of this Agreement. Should CITY pay the SIR or deductible on CONTRACTOR'S behalf upon CONTRACTOR'S failure or refusal to do so to secure defense and indemnification as an additional insured under the policy, CITY may include such amounts as damages in any action against Contractor for breach of this Agreement in addition to any other damages incurred by CITY due to the breach.
19. **USE OF OTHER CONTRACTORS.** THE CONTRACTOR must obtain CITY's prior written approval to use any Contractors while performing any portion of this Agreement. Such approval must include approval of the proposed Contractor and the terms of compensation.
20. **FINAL PAYMENT ACCEPTANCE CONSTITUTES RELEASE.** The acceptance by the CONTRACTOR of the final payment made under this Agreement shall operate as and be a release of CITY from all claims and liabilities for compensation to the CONTRACTOR for anything done, furnished or relating to the CONTRACTOR'S work or services. Acceptance of payment shall be any negotiation of CITY'S check or the failure to make a written extra compensation claim within ten (10) calendar days of the receipt of that check. However, approval or payment by CITY shall not constitute, nor be deemed, a release of the responsibility and liability of CONTRACTOR, its employees, sub-Contractors and agents for the accuracy and competency of the information provided and/or work performed; nor shall such approval or payment be deemed to be an assumption of such responsibility or liability by CITY for any defect or error in the work prepared by CONTRACTOR, its employees, sub-Contractors and agents.
21. **NON-APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS.** Payments to be made to CONTRACTOR by CITY for services performed within the current fiscal year are within the current fiscal budget and within an available, unexhausted fund. In the event that CITY does not appropriate sufficient funds for payment of CONTRACTOR'S services beyond the current fiscal year, the Agreement shall cover payment for CONTRACTOR'S only to the conclusion of the last fiscal year in which CITY

appropriates sufficient funds and shall automatically terminate at the conclusion of such fiscal year.

22. **NOTICES.** All communications to either party by the other party will be deemed made when received by such party at its respective name and address as follows:

CITY	CONTRACTOR
<u>City of Lomita</u> <u>24300 Narbonne Avenue</u> <u>Lomita, CA 90717</u>	<u>South Bay Cities Council of</u> <u>Governments</u> <u>357 Van Ness Way, Suite</u> <u>110</u> <u>Torrance, CA 90501</u> <u>ATTN: Jacki Bacharach</u>
<u>ATTN: City Manager</u>	

Any such written communications by mail will be conclusively deemed to have been received by the addressee upon deposit thereof in the United States Mail, postage prepaid and properly addressed as noted above. In all other instances, notices will be deemed given at the time of actual delivery. Changes may be made in the names or addresses of persons to whom notices are to be given by giving notice in the manner prescribed in this paragraph. Courtesy copies of notices may be sent via electronic mail, provided that the original notice is deposited in the U.S. mail or personally delivered as specified in this Section.

23. **SOLICITATION.** CONTRACTOR maintains and warrants that it has not employed nor retained any company or person, other than CONTRACTOR's bona fide employee, to solicit or secure this Agreement. Further, CONTRACTOR warrants that it has not paid, nor has it agreed to pay any company or person, other than CONTRACTOR's bona fide employee, any fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gift or other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Agreement. Should CONTRACTOR breach or violate this warranty, CITY may rescind this Agreement without liability.
24. **THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES.** This Agreement and every provision herein is generally for the exclusive benefit of CONTRACTOR and CITY and not for the benefit of any other party. There will be no incidental or other beneficiaries of any of the CONTRACTOR's or CITY's obligations under this Agreement.
25. **INTERPRETATION.** This Agreement was drafted in and will be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California, and exclusive venue for any action involving this agreement will be in Los Angeles County.
26. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT.** This Agreement, and its Attachments, sets forth the entire understanding of the parties. There are no other understandings, terms or other agreements expressed or implied, oral or written.
27. **RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.** Each Party had the opportunity to independently review this Agreement with legal counsel. Accordingly, this Agreement will be

construed simply, as a whole, and in accordance with its fair meaning; it will not be interpreted strictly for or against either Party.

28. **AUTHORITY/MODIFICATION.** The Parties represent and warrant that all necessary action has been taken by the Parties to authorize the undersigned to execute this Agreement and to engage in the actions described herein. This Agreement may be modified by written amendment with signatures of all parties to this Agreement. CITY's city administrator, or designee, may execute any such amendment on behalf of CITY.
29. **ACCEPTANCE OF FACSIMILE OR ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES.** The Parties agree that this Agreement will be considered signed when the signature of a party is delivered by facsimile transmission, scanned and delivered via electronic mail, or delivered using digital signature technology approved by CITY. Such facsimile or electronic signatures will be treated in all respects as having the same effect as an original signature.
30. **FORCE MAJEURE.** Should performance of this Agreement be impossible due to fire, flood, explosion, war, embargo, government action, civil or military authority, the natural elements, or other similar causes beyond the Parties' control, then the Agreement will immediately terminate without obligation of either party to the other.
31. **TIME IS OF ESSENCE.** Time is of the essence to comply with dates and schedules to be provided.
32. **ATTORNEY'S FEES.** The parties hereto acknowledge and agree that each will bear his or its own costs, expenses and attorneys' fees arising out of and/or connected with the negotiation, drafting and execution of the Agreement, and all matters arising out of or connected therewith except that, in the event any action is brought by any party hereto to enforce this Agreement, the prevailing party in such action shall be entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees and costs in addition to all other relief to which that party or those parties may be entitled.
33. **STATEMENT OF EXPERIENCE.** By executing this Agreement, CONTRACTOR represents that it has demonstrated trustworthiness and possesses the quality, fitness and capacity to perform the Agreement in a manner satisfactory to CITY. CONTRACTOR represents that its financial resources, surety and insurance experience, service experience, completion ability, personnel, current workload, experience in dealing with private Contractors, and experience in dealing with public agencies all suggest that CONTRACTOR is capable of performing the proposed contract and has a demonstrated capacity to deal fairly and effectively with and to satisfy a public agency.
34. **DISCLOSURE REQUIRED.** (CITY and CONTRACTOR initials required at one of the following paragraphs)

By their respective initials next to this paragraph, CITY and CONTRACTOR hereby acknowledge that CONTRACTOR is a "contractor" for the purposes of the

California Political Reform Act because CONTRACTOR'S duties would require him or her to make one or more of the governmental decisions set forth in Fair Political Practices Commission Regulation 18700.3(a)(2) or otherwise serves in a staff capacity for which disclosure would otherwise be required were CONTRACTOR employed by CITY. CONTRACTOR hereby acknowledges his or her assuming-office, annual, and leaving-office financial reporting obligations under the California Political Reform Act and the CITY'S Conflict of Interest Code and agrees to comply with those obligations at his or her expense. Prior to the Contractor commencing services hereunder, the City's Manager shall prepare and deliver to CONTRACTOR a memorandum detailing the extent of CONTRACTOR'S disclosure obligations in accordance with the CITY'S Conflict of Interest Code.

City Initials \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor Initials \_\_\_\_\_

**OR**

By their initials next to this paragraph, CITY and CONTRACTOR hereby acknowledge that CONTRACTOR is not a "contractor" for the purpose of the California Political Reform Act because CONTRACTOR'S duties and responsibilities are not within the scope of the definition of contractor in Fair Political Practice Commission Regulation 18700.3(a)(2) and is otherwise not serving in staff capacity in accordance with CITY'S Conflict of Interest Code.

City Initials \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor Initials \_\_\_\_\_

[signatures on following page]

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** the parties hereto have executed this contract the day and year first hereinabove written.

CITY OF LOMITA

CONTRACTOR

\_\_\_\_\_  
Andrew Vialpando, City Manager

By:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chair, SBCCOG Board of Directors

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Kathleen Horn Gregory, City Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
68-0632320  
Taxpayer ID No.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Trevor Rusin, City Attorney

## Exhibit A – Scope of Services

The South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG) will assist the City of Lomita in planning and conducting community engagement activities in support of the implementation of the Local Travel Network in Lomita. The SBCCOG will perform the following services and other tasks as determined by mutual agreement:

- Develop community engagement strategy for overall LTN implementation. Coordinate engagement strategy with City and City's design consultant for Eshelman Ave Improvements to ensure consistent messaging and minimize duplicative engagement efforts.
- Produce marketing and engagement collateral for city community outreach activities. Deliverables may include:
  - Static or interactive maps
  - Informational materials (i.e. flyers and posters)
  - Surveys
  - LTN branded giveaway materials (i.e. stickers, pens, swag bags, etc.)
  - Graphics, photos, and/or video content for social media and e-blasts
  - SBCCOG will lead development of PowerPoint presentations for stakeholder engagement in coordination with City's design consultant to provide targeted slides and information on Eshelman Ave Improvements.
- SBCCOG staff will support and attend, as appropriate, stakeholder engagement meetings and/or tabling at community events to inform final route selections and conduct general outreach. Stakeholder engagement may include community group meetings, public workshops, city council briefings, etc. for up to a total of 66 hours of SBCCOG staff time. City staff to assist with coordinating the stakeholder meetings.
- Plan and conduct two community mobility events in coordination with the city. Community mobility events can provide opportunities for residents to experience micromobility firsthand and/or learn about micromobility options and safety. Events may be planned as standalone or as additions to existing city events/programming. Examples may include ride and drives, street closures, informational booths and tabling, interactive family-friendly activities, etc.

### Outreach Services Summary Table

Proposed Activity	Estimated Hours	Estimated Cost
Development of marketing and engagement materials	35	\$5,000
Marketing and engagement material costs	N/A	\$500
Stakeholder engagement meetings	65	\$9,500
Community mobility events (hours include logistics planning, vendor coordination, marketing, and event staffing) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ribbon Cutting March 2027 (est.)</li><li>• TBD</li></ul>	175	\$25,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$40,000</b>

### SBCCOG Staff Standard Rate Schedule

Average Billable Hourly Rate = \$142

Personnel	Hourly Rate
Executive Director	\$247
Senior Program Manager	\$200
Project Coordinator	\$85
CivicSpark Fellow	\$34

