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SUBJECT: WALK ON Independent Consultant Agreement with Brodie Hegg Landscape Architecture

DATE: September 1, 2022

PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE: Sean Keller, Robert H. Down Elementary School Principal

RECOMMENDATION:

The District Administration recommends the Board review and approve the Independent Consultant Agreement with Brodie Hegg Landscape Architecture (BHLA) CA Lic#6392 and Robert H. Down Elementary School (RHD).

BACKGROUND:

BHLA was recommended by a RHD parent who was unable to perform the landscape design for the RHD brick fundraiser project. RHD reached out to five (5) architecture companies recommended by Granite Rock Building Supply and BHLA was the only landscape architecture company to offer their services.

INFORMATION:

BHLA will design a rendering of the project to advertise and provide RHD with a landscape site plan. The contract term commences on September 9, 2022 and ends September 23, 2022.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total cost of \$1,250.00 will be paid by the RHD Brick Project fundraiser.

**PACIFIC GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT AGREEMENT**

CONSULTANT Brodie Hegg Landscape Architecture (BHLA)-CA Lic#6392

SITE/DEPARTMENT Robert Down

SUBMITTED BY Sean Keller

FUNDING SOURCE RHD PTA Brick Fundraiser

AGREEMENT TOTAL AMOUNT \$1,250.00

The District employee providing the attached Independent Consultant Agreement to the person or entity who will be providing special services to the District should first do the following:

1. Provide only the Pacific Grove Unified School District's approved Independent Consultant Agreement. The Independent Consultant Agreement should be completed in lieu of signing any vendor contract for services.
2. Review the insurance requirements for the person or entity and revise the insurance provisions of the agreement accordingly.
3. Review the forms under Section 20 and determine which of those documents should be attached to the agreement.

This Independent Consultant Agreement for Special Services ("Agreement") is made between the Pacific Grove Unified School District ("District") and **Brodie Hegg Landscape Architecture (BHLA)-CA Lic#6392** ("Consultant") (together, "Parties").

WHEREAS, the District is authorized by Section 53060 of the California Government Code to contract with and employ any persons for the furnishing of special services and advice in financial, economic, accounting, engineering, legal, transportation, administrative matters or other specialized services, if those persons are specially trained and experienced and competent to perform the special services required; and

WHEREAS, the District is in need of those services and/or advice; and

WHEREAS, the Consultant is specially trained and experienced and competent to perform the services required by the District, and those services are needed on a limited basis;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

1. **Services and/Scope of work.** The Consultant shall furnish to the District the following services herein by this reference ("Services" or "Work"): Consultant shall serve as a **project designer**. Consultant shall use their specialized experience and skills to organize, maintain to serve in this capacity. Services shall include but not be limited to: **landscape architecture design**.
2. **Term.** Consultant shall commence providing services under this Agreement on **9/8/2022**, and will diligently perform as required and complete performance by **9/23/2022**.
3. **Compensation.** District agrees to pay **\$1,250.00** to Consultant for Services satisfactorily rendered pursuant to this Agreement. This is not to exceed **\$1,250.00** during the term of this Agreement. District shall pay Consultant according to the following terms and conditions:
 - 3.1. Payment for the Services shall be made for all undisputed amounts in installment payments within thirty (30) days after the Consultant submits an invoice to the District for Services actually completed.

4. **Expenses.** District shall not be liable to Consultant for any costs or expenses paid or incurred by Consultant in performing Services for District.
5. **Independent Consultant.** Consultant, in the performance of this Agreement, shall be and act as an Independent Consultant. Consultant understands and agrees that he/she shall not be considered an officer, employee, agent, partner, or joint venture of the District, and is not entitled to benefits of any kind or nature normally provided employees of the District and/or to which District's employees are normally entitled, including, but not limited to, State Unemployment Compensation or Worker's Compensation. Consultant shall assume full responsibility for payment of all federal, state and local taxes or contributions, including unemployment insurance, Social Security and income taxes with respect to Consultant. In the performance of the Services herein contemplated, Consultant is an independent Consultant or business entity, with the sole authority for controlling and directing the performance of the details of the Services, District being interested only in the results obtained.
6. **Performance of Services.**
 - 6.1. **Standard of Care.** Consultant represents that Consultant has the qualifications and ability to perform the Services in a professional manner, without the advice, control or supervision of the District. Consultant's Services will be performed, findings obtained, reports and recommendations prepared in accordance with generally and currently accepted principles and practices of his/her profession for services to California school districts.
 - 6.2. **District Approval.** The Services completed herein must meet the approval of the District and shall be subject to the District's general right of inspection and supervision to secure the satisfactory completion thereof.
 - 6.3. **Licenses.** Consultant's represents that s/he possesses all required licenses to perform the Services provided in this Agreement.
7. **Termination.**
 - 7.1. **Without Cause by District.** District may, at any time, with or without reason, terminate this Agreement and compensate Consultant only for services satisfactorily rendered to the date of termination. Written notice by District shall be sufficient to stop further performance of services by Consultant. Notice shall be deemed given when received by the Consultant or no later than three days after the day of mailing, whichever is sooner.
 - 7.2. **Without Cause by Consultant.** Consultant may, upon thirty (30) days' notice, with or without reason, terminate this Agreement. Upon this termination, District shall only be obligated to compensate Consultant for services satisfactorily rendered to the date of termination. Written notice by Consultant shall be sufficient to stop further performance of services to District. Consultant acknowledges that this thirty (30) day notice period is acceptable so that the District can attempt to procure the Services from another source.
 - 7.3. **With Cause by District.** District may terminate this Agreement upon giving of written notice of intention to terminate for cause. Cause shall include:
 - 7.3.1. Material violation of this Agreement by the Consultant; or
 - 7.3.2. Any act by Consultant exposing the District to liability to others for personal injury or property damage.Written notice by District shall contain the reasons for such intention to terminate and unless within three (3) calendar days after that notice the condition or violation shall cease, or satisfactory arrangements for the correction thereof be made, this Agreement shall upon the expiration of the three (3) calendar days cease and terminate. In the event of this termination, the District may secure the required services from another Consultant. If the expense, fees, and/or costs to the District exceeds the cost of providing the services pursuant to this Agreement, the Consultant shall immediately pay the excess expense, fees, and/or costs to the District upon the receipt of the District's notice of these expense, fees, and/or costs. The foregoing provisions are in addition to and not a limitation of any other rights or remedies available to District.

8. **Compliance.** Consultant shall, at all times while providing the Services, comply with all federal, state, local and District laws, statutes, codes, ordinances, rules, regulations, policies, and requirements, as well as all state executive orders and all public health orders regarding student health and safety, including but not limited to, policies and procedures related to social distancing, the use of personal protective equipment (“PPE”) such as face coverings and gloves, and the sanitization of facilities to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 and other contagious diseases.
9. **District’s Evaluation of Consultant.** The District may evaluate the Consultant’s performance. In no event shall an evaluation of Consultant be considered a prerequisite to the District exercising its rights under paragraph 7 above.
10. **Limitation of District Liability.** Other than as provided in this Agreement, District’s financial obligations under this Agreement shall be limited to the payment of the compensation provided in this Agreement. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, in no event shall District be liable to Consultant, regardless of whether any claim is based on contract or tort, for any special, consequential, indirect or incidental damages, including, but not limited to, lost profits or revenue, arising out of or in connection with this Agreement for the services performed in connection with this Agreement.
11. **Indemnity.** Consultant shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless District and its agents, representatives, officers, consultants, employees, Board of Trustees, members of the Board of Trustees (collectively, the “District Parties”), from and against any and all claims, demands, liabilities, damages, losses, suits and actions, and expenses (including, but not limited to attorney fees and costs including fees of consultants) of any kind, nature and description (collectively, the “Claims”) directly or indirectly arising out of, connected with, or resulting from any act, error, omission, negligence, or willful misconduct of Consultant, its agents, subcontractors, employees, material or equipment suppliers, invitees, or licensees (collectively, the “Consultant Parties”) in the performance of or failure to perform Consultant’s or Consultant Parties’ obligations under this Agreement, including, but not limited to Consultant’s or Consultant Parties’ use of District sites, performance of the Services, breach of any of the representations or warranties contained in this Agreement, or for injury to or death of persons or damage to property or delay or damage to the District or the District Parties. Such obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge, or reduce other rights or obligations of indemnity, which would otherwise exist as to a party, person, or entity described in this paragraph. The indemnification provided for in this Section includes, without limitation to the foregoing, claims that may be made against District by any taxing authority asserting that an employer-employee relationship exists by reason of this Agreement, and any claims made against District alleging civil rights violations by Consultant or Consultant Parties under the California Fair Employment and Housing Act (“FEHA”).
12. **Confidentiality.** The Consultant and all Consultant’s agents, personnel, employee(s), and/or Sub-consultant(s) shall maintain the confidentiality of all information received in the course of performing the Services. This requirement to maintain confidentiality shall extend beyond the termination of this Agreement.
13. **Notice.** Any notice required or permitted to be given under this Agreement shall be deemed to have been given, served, and received if given in writing and either personally delivered or deposited in the United States mail, registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt required, or sent by overnight delivery service, or facsimile transmission, addressed as follows:

District

Pacific Grove Unified School District
(BHLA)-CA Lic#6392
435 Hillcrest Avenue
Pacific Grove, CA 93950
ATTENTION: Song Chin-Bendib,
Assistant Superintendent/CBO

Consultant

Name: Brodie Hegg Landscape Architecture
Address: 1142 2nd Street
City/State/Zip: Monterey, CA 93940
Business Phone: (209) 652-9399
Email (Optional): brodie@brodiehegg.com

Any notice personally given or sent by facsimile transmission shall be effective upon receipt. Any notice sent by overnight delivery service shall be effective the business day next following delivery thereof to the overnight delivery service. Any notice given by mail shall be effective three (3) days after deposit in the United States mail.

14. **Integration/Entire Agreement of Parties.** This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties and supersedes all prior discussions, negotiations, and agreements, whether oral or written. This Agreement may be amended or modified only by a written instrument executed by both Parties.
15. **California Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and the rights, duties and obligations of the Parties shall be determined and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of California. The Parties further agree that any action or proceeding brought to enforce the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be maintained in Monterey County, California.
16. **Waiver.** The waiver by either party of any breach of any term, covenant, or condition herein contained shall not be deemed to be a waiver of such term, covenant, condition, or any subsequent breach of the same or any other term, covenant, or condition herein contained.
17. **Severability.** If any term, condition or provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the remaining provisions will nevertheless continue in full force and effect, and shall not be affected, impaired or invalidated in any way.
18. **Attorney Fees/Costs.** Should litigation be necessary to enforce any terms or provisions of this Agreement, then each party shall bear its own litigation and collection expenses, witness fees, court costs and attorney's fees.
19. **Counterparts.** This Agreement and all amendments and supplements to it may be executed in counterparts, and all counterparts together shall be construed as one document.
20. **Incorporation of Recitals and Exhibits.** The Recitals and each exhibit attached hereto are hereby incorporated herein by reference.
21. **Non-Assignability.** Consultant may not, without the written permission of the District, use other consultants within Consultant's own firm, or outside experts to perform the services for the District.
22. **Fingerprinting.** When the Consultant is working directly with students, the Consultant shall not commence Services under this Agreement until the Consultant has submitted and the District has approved the following document:

- DOJ Clearance Previously Received
- Fingerprinting/Criminal Background Check-Consultant himself/herself
- Fingerprinting done by the organization independently (declare under perjury)-
Consultant's Employee(s)

23. **W-9.** Consultant has provided a completed:

W-9 Form

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Agreement on the date indicated below.

Pacific Grove Unified School District

Site representative or Assistant Superintendent
(Signed AFTER Board approval)

Consultant

(Can sign BEFORE Board's approval)

Signature: _____

Name: Sean Keller

Title: Robert H. Down Elementary Principal

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

Human Resources

(Signed AFTER Board approval)

Contracted work was not assigned using District's normal employment recruitment process.

Signature _____ Date _____

Director of Human Resources

Type of Business Entity:

Corporation, State

Individual

Partnership

Limited Liability Company

Sole Proprietorship

Limited Partnership

Other: _____

**Federal Code of Regulations sections 6041 and 6209 require non-corporate recipients of \$600.00 or more to furnish their taxpayer identification number to the payer. The regulations also provide that a penalty may be imposed for failure to furnish the taxpayer identification number. In order to comply with these regulations, the District requires your federal tax identification number or Social Security number, whichever is applicable.*