

Special Conditions

WORK. The CONTRACTOR shall provide and pay for all materials, supplies, machinery, equipment, tools, superintendence, labor, services, insurance, and all water, light, power, fuel, transportation and other facilities necessary for the execution and completion of the work covered by the contract Documents. Unless otherwise specified, all materials shall be new and both workmanship and materials shall be of a good quality. The CONTRACTOR shall if required, furnish satisfactory evidence as to the kind and quality of materials.

RIGHT OF ENTRY. The OWNER reserves the right to enter the property or location on which the work herein is contracted for by such agent or agents as he may elect, for the purpose of inspecting the work, or for the purpose of constructing or installing such collateral work as said OWNER may desire.

EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS AND CONSTRUCTION PLANT. The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the care, preservation, conservation, and protection of all materials, supplies, machinery, equipment, tools, apparatus, accessories, facilities, all means of construction, and any and all parts of the work, whether the CONTRACTOR has been paid, partially paid, or not paid for such work, until the entire work is completed and accepted.

CHARACTER OF WORKMEN. The CONTRACTOR agrees to employ only orderly and competent men, skillful in the performance of the type of work required under this contract, to do the work; and agrees that whenever the OWNER shall inform him in writing that any man or men on the work are, in his opinion, incompetent, unfaithful or disorderly, such man or men shall be discharged from the work and shall not again be employed on the work without the OWNER'S written consent.

PROTECTION AGAINST ACCIDENT TO EMPLOYEES AND THE PUBLIC. The CONTRACTOR shall at all times exercise reasonable precautions for the safety of employees and others on or near the work and shall comply with all applicable provisions of Federal, State, and Municipal safety laws and building and construction codes. All machinery and equipment and other physical hazards shall be guarded in accordance with the "Manual of Accident Prevention in Construction" of the Associated General Contractors of America except where incompatible with Federal, State, or Municipal laws or regulations. The CONTRACTOR shall provide such machinery guards, safe walkways, ladders, bridges, gangplanks, and other safety devices if necessary. The safety precautions actually taken and their adequacy shall be the sole responsibility of the CONTRACTOR, acting at his discretion as an independent contractor.

PROTECTION OF ADJOINING PROPERTY. The said CONTRACTOR shall take proper means to protect the adjacent or adjoining property or properties in any way encountered, which might be injured or seriously affected by any process of construction to undertaken under this Agreement, from any damage or injury by reason of said process of construction; and he shall be liable for any and all claims for such damage on account of his failure to fully protect all adjoining property. The CONTRACTOR agrees to indemnify, save and hold harmless the OWNER against any claim or claims for damages due to any injury to any adjacent or adjoining

property, arising or growing out of the performance of the contract; but any such indemnity shall not apply to any claim of any kind arising out of the existence or character of the work.

PROTECTION AGAINST CLAIMS OF SUB-CONTRACTORS, LABORERS, MATERIALMEN AND FURNISHERS OF MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES. The CONTRACTOR agrees that he will indemnify and save the OWNER harmless from all claims growing out of the lawful demands of sub-contractors, laborers, workmen, mechanics, material men and furnishers of machinery and parts thereof, equipment, power tools, and all supplies, including commissary, incurred in the furtherance of the performance of this contract. When so desired by the OWNER, the CONTRACTOR shall furnish satisfactory evidence that all obligations of the nature hereinabove designated have been paid, discharged or waived. If the CONTRACTOR fails so to do, then the OWNER may at the option of the CONTRACTOR either pay directly any unpaid bills, of which the OWNER has written notice, or withhold from the CONTRACTOR'S unpaid compensation a sum of money deemed reasonably sufficient to liquidate any and all such lawful claims until satisfactory evidence is furnished that all liabilities have been fully discharged, whereupon payments to the CONTRACTOR shall be resumed in full, in accordance with the terms of this contract, but in no event shall the provisions of this sentence be construed to impose any obligation upon the OWNER by either the CONTRACTOR or his Surety.

FINAL COMPLETION AND ACCEPTANCE. Within ten (10) days after the CONTRACTOR has given the OWNER written notice that the work has been completed, or substantially completed, the OWNER shall inspect the work and within said time, prepare and send a list of deficiencies. If there are not deficiencies found then OWNER will process final payment.

FINAL PAYMENT. The OWNER, who shall pay to the CONTRACTOR on or before the 30th day, and before the 35th day, after the date of Project Completion, the balance due the CONTRACTOR under the terms of this Agreement, provided he has fully performed his contractual obligations under the terms of this contract.

PAYMENTS WITHELD. The OWNER may, on account of subsequently discovered evidence, withhold payment to such extent as may be necessary to protect himself from loss on account of:

- (a) Defective work not remedied.
- (b) Claims filed or reasonable evidence indicating probable filing of claims.
- (c) Failure of the CONTRACTOR to make payments properly to subcontractors or for material or labor.
- (d) Damage to another contractor.
- (e) Reasonable doubt that the work can be completed for the unpaid balance of the contract amount.
- (f) Reasonable indication that the work will not be completed within the contract time.

CHANGE ORDERS: Without invalidating this Agreement, the OWNER may, at any time or from time to time, order deletions or revisions to the work; such changes will be authorized by Change Order to be prepared by the OWNER after formal approval of the Gregg County Commissioners Court. The Change Order shall set forth the basis for any change in contract

price, as hereinafter set forth for Extra Work, and any change in contract time which may result from the change..

EXAMINATION OF SITE OF PROJECT. Prospective bidders shall make a careful examination of the site of the project, soil and water conditions to be encountered, improvements to be protected, disposal sites for surplus materials not designated to be salvaged materials, and methods of providing ingress and egress to private properties and of handling traffic during construction of the entire project.

TRADE NAMES AND MATERIALS.

Where materials or equipment are specified by a trade or brand name, it is not the intention of the Owner to discriminate against an equal product of another manufacturer, but rather to set a definite standard of quality of performance, and to establish an equal basis for the evaluation of bids. Where the words "equivalent", "proper" or "equal to" are used, they shall be understood to mean the equivalent of, or equal to some other thing, in the opinion or judgment of the Owner. Unless otherwise specified, all materials shall be the best of their respective kinds and shall be in all cases fully equal to approved samples. Notwithstanding that the words "or equal to" or other such expressions may be used in the specifications in connection with a material, manufactured article or process, the materials, article or process specifically designated shall be used, unless a substitute shall be approved in writing by the Owner, and the Owner shall have the right to require the use of such specifically designated material, article or process.

BARRICADES, LIGHTS, AND WATCHMEN. Where the work is carried on in or adjacent to any street, alley or public place, the Contractor shall at his own cost and expense furnish and erect such barricades, fences, lights, and danger signals, shall provide such watchmen, and shall provide such other precautionary measures for the protection of persons or property and of the work as are necessary. Barricades shall be painted in a color that will be visible at night. From sunset to sunrise the Contractor shall furnish and maintain at least one light at each barricade and sufficient number of barricades shall be erected to keep vehicles from being driven on or into any work under construction. The Contractor shall furnish watchmen in sufficient numbers to protect the work. The Contractor will be held responsible for all damage to the work due to failure of barricades, signs, lights, and watchmen to protect it, and whenever evidence is found of such damage, the Owner may order the damaged portion immediately removed and replaced by the Contractor at his cost and expense. The Contractor's responsibility for the maintenance of barricades, signs, and lights, and for providing watchmen shall not cease until the project shall have been accepted by the Owner.

RESTORATION OF SITE & CLEANUP. Upon completion of the project (or major portions thereof) the Contractor shall restore the site to its original condition or better. Driveways and streets shall be compacted and resurfaced as originally found. All private property disrupted during construction including fences, patios, retaining walls, sidewalks, wooden decks, etc. shall be mended or repaired to their original condition. At the conclusion of the work, all tools, temporary structures and materials belonging to the Contractor shall be promptly removed, and all dirt, rubbish and other foreign substances shall be disposed of. The Contractor shall thoroughly clean all equipment and materials installed by him and shall deliver over such materials and equipment in an undamaged, clean condition.

SAFETY.

- In accordance with generally accepted construction practices, the Contractor alone will be solely and completely responsible for conditions of the job site, including safety of all persons and property during performance of the work. This requirement will apply continuously and not be limited to normal working hours.
- The duty of the Owner to conduct construction review of the Contractor's performance is not intended to include review of the adequacy of the Contractor's safety measures, in, or on, or near the construction site.

EXISTING UTILITIES AND SERVICE LINES. The Contractor shall be responsible for the protection of all existing utilities or service lines crossed or exposed by his construction operations. Where existing utilities or service lines are cut, broken or damaged, the Contractor shall replace or repair the utilities or service lines with the same type of original material and construction, or better, at his own cost and expense.

PROTECTION OF PROPERTY. The Contractor shall, at no additional expense to the Owner, protect by false work, braces, shoring or other property along his line of work or affected directly by his work, against damage and shall repair the damages or repay the injured Owners if such damage occurs. The Contractor shall exercise care to protect from injury all water pipes, sanitary sewer pipes, gas mains, telephone cables, electric cables, service pipes, and other utilities or fixtures which may be encountered during the progress of the work. All utilities and other service facilities or fixtures if damaged, shall be repaired by the Contractor without additional compensation. Protection is Contractor's responsibility and he must satisfy himself as to the existence and location of all utilities and structures.

CONTRACTS IN DEFAULT. The Owner may declare a contract in default for any one or more of the following reasons:

- Failure to complete the work within the contract period or any extension thereof.
- Failure or refusal to comply with an order of the Owner within a reasonable time.
- Failure or refusal to remove rejected materials.
- Failure or refusal to perform anew any defective or unacceptable work.
- Bankruptcy or insolvency, or the making of an assignment for the benefit of creditors.
- Failure to provide a qualified superintendent, competent workmen or subcontractors to carry on the work in an acceptable manner or failure to prosecute the work according to the agreed schedule of completion.
- Disregard or violation of any other important provisions of the Contract Documents as determined by the Engineer.