

**AGREEMENT  
FOR  
PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT SERVICES  
BETWEEN  
CITY OF BROKEN ARROW  
AND  
R. L. SHEARS COMPANY, PC  
FOR  
CONSTRUCTION PHASE SERVICES  
BROKEN ARROW CREEK TRAIL PHASE 2  
PROJECT 196032**

This AGREEMENT, including Attachment A through Attachment E, between the City of Broken Arrow (OWNER) and R. L. Shears Company, P.C., (CONSULTANT);

**WITNESSETH:**

WHEREAS, OWNER, in conjunction with the Oklahoma Department of Transportation intends to construct the Broken Arrow Creek Trail and Broken Arrow Pedestrian Improvements (PROJECT) for which, OWNER has requested that CONSULTANT provide certain professional services as required and,

WHEREAS, CONSULTANT is qualified and capable to provide the professional services required;

NOW, therefore, in consideration of the promises contained in this AGREEMENT, OWNER and CONSULTANT agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1 - EFFECTIVE DATE**

This AGREEMENT shall be effective upon signature of both parties.

**ARTICLE 2 - GOVERNING LAW**

This AGREEMENT shall be governed by the laws of the State of Oklahoma and venue for any action concerning this Agreement shall be in the District Court of Tulsa County, Oklahoma.

**ARTICLE 3 - SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED BY CONSULTANT**

CONSULTANT shall perform the SERVICES described in Attachment A, Scope of Services. If construction phase services are included, the CONSULTANT shall be the OWNER'S agent and representative to observe, record and report with respect to all services that are required or authorized by the construction documents. OWNER and CONSULTANT agree that the services to be performed under this AGREEMENT by the CONSULTANT shall be as an independent contractor.

**ARTICLE 4 – ORGANIZATION OF SUBMITAL DOCUMENTS**

CONSULTANT shall prepare the documents as described in Attachment B as part of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 5 - COMPENSATION**

OWNER shall pay CONSULTANT in accordance with Attachment C, Compensation.

**ARTICLE 6 - OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

OWNER shall be responsible for all matters described in Attachment D, OWNER'S Responsibilities and Special Conditions.

## **ARTICLE 7 - STANDARD OF CARE**

CONSULTANT shall perform the SERVICES undertaken in a manner consistent with the prevailing accepted standard for similar services with respect to projects of comparable function and complexity, and with the applicable state laws, as well as the specific codes, regulations, design criteria and construction specifications adopted by the owner and other governing policies published and generally considered authoritative by CONSULTANT'S profession that are in effect at the time of performance of these SERVICES. CONSULTANT is obligated to perform professional services in accordance with the foregoing standard with respect to the laws, codes, regulations, design criteria and construction specifications that are applicable pursuant to this AGREEMENT.

## **ARTICLE 8 - LIABILITY**

8.1 General. Having considered the potential liabilities that may exist during the performance of these SERVICES, the benefits of the PROJECT, and CONSULTANT'S fee for the SERVICES; and in consideration of the promises contained in this AGREEMENT, OWNER and CONSULTANT agree to allocate and limit such liabilities in accordance with Article 10.

8.2 Indemnification. CONSULTANT agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless OWNER, and its agents and employees, from and against legal liability for all claims, losses, damages, and expenses to the extent such claims, losses, damages, or expenses are caused by the negligent or intentional acts, errors, or omissions of CONSULTANT, its agents or employees. In the event claims, losses, damages, or expenses are caused by the joint or concurrent negligence of OWNER and CONSULTANT, or their agents or employees, then they shall be borne by each party in proportion to each entity's own negligence.

8.3 Consequential Damages. OWNER shall not be liable to CONSULTANT for any special, indirect, or consequential damages resulting in any way from the performance of the SERVICES such as, but not limited to, loss of use, loss of revenue, or loss of anticipated profits.

8.4 Survival. Upon completion of all SERVICES, obligations, and duties provided for in this AGREEMENT, or if this AGREEMENT is terminated for any reason, the terms and conditions of this Article 8 shall survive.

## **ARTICLE 9 - INSURANCE**

During the performance of the SERVICES under this AGREEMENT, CONSULTANT shall maintain the following insurance:

- (1) General Liability Insurance, with a combined single limit of \$1,000,000 for each occurrence and \$1,000,000 in the aggregate;
- (2) Automobile Liability Insurance, with a combined single limit of not less than \$1,000,000 for each person, not less than \$1,000,000 for each accident and not less than \$1,000,000 for property damage; and
- (3) Professional Liability Insurance, with a limit of \$1,000,000 annual aggregate.

CONSULTANT shall furnish OWNER certificates of insurance, which shall include a provision that such insurance shall not be canceled without at least thirty (30) days written notice to OWNER. All PROJECT sub-consultants shall be required to name OWNER and CONSULTANT as certificate holders on their certificate of insurance for the PROJECT, and shall be required to indemnify OWNER and CONSULTANT to the same extent. CONSULTANT shall be held responsible to submit certificates of insurance for sub-consultants to OWNER prior to the sub-consultant's release to commence work.

#### **ARTICLE 10 - LIMITATIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY**

CONSULTANT shall not be responsible for: (1) construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, procedures, or safety precautions and programs in connection with the construction of the PROJECT; or (2) procuring permits, certificates, and licenses required for any construction unless such responsibilities are specifically assigned to CONSULTANT in Attachment A, Scope of Services.

#### **ARTICLE 11 - LIMITATIONS OF RESPONSIBILITIES FOR ACTS OF OTHERS**

CONSULTANT shall not at any time supervise, direct, control or have authority over any work performed by any employee, contractor or other agent of OWNER. CONSULTANT shall not be responsible for the acts or omissions of any employee, contractor or other agent associated with the PROJECT except for its own employees, subcontractors and other agents.

#### **ARTICLE 12 - OPINIONS OF COST AND SCHEDULE**

Since CONSULTANT has no control over the cost of labor, materials, or equipment furnished by others, or over the resources provided by others to meet PROJECT schedules, CONSULTANT'S opinion of probable costs and of PROJECT schedules shall be made on the basis of experience and qualifications as a professional. CONSULTANT does not guarantee that proposals, bids, or actual PROJECT costs will conform to OWNER'S cost estimates or that actual schedules will conform to OWNER'S projected schedules.

#### **ARTICLE 13 - REUSE OF DOCUMENTS**

All documents, including, but not limited to, drawings, specifications, and details, reports, etc. prepared by CONSULTANT pursuant to this AGREEMENT are instruments of service in respect to the PROJECT. They are not intended or represented to be suitable for reuse by CONSULTANT or others on extensions of the PROJECT or on any other project. Any reuse or adaptation without prior written verification by the OWNER for the specific purpose intended will be at CONSULTANT'S sole risk and without liability or legal exposure to the OWNER. CONSULTANT shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the OWNER against all claims, losses, damages, injuries, and expenses, including attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from such reuse.

#### **ARTICLE 14 - OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

Except as otherwise provided herein, engineering documents, drawings, and specifications prepared by CONSULTANT as part of the SERVICES shall become the property of OWNER. CONSULTANT shall retain its rights in its standard drawing details, specifications, data bases, computer software, and other proprietary property. Rights to intellectual property developed, utilized, or modified in the performance of the SERVICES shall remain the property of CONSULTANT, but shall be provided to the OWNER, at no additional expense to the OWNER.

#### **ARTICLE 15 - TERMINATION**

This AGREEMENT may be terminated by either party upon written notice in the event of substantial failure by the either party to perform in accordance with the terms of this AGREEMENT. The non-performing party shall have fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of the termination notice to cure or to submit a plan for cure acceptable to the other party.

OWNER may suspend performance of this AGREEMENT for OWNER'S convenience upon written notice to CONSULTANT. Upon restart, an equitable adjustment may be made to CONSULTANT'S compensation, if the period of suspension has created an economic hardship for the CONSULTANT.

#### **ARTICLE 16 - DELAY IN PERFORMANCE**

Neither OWNER nor CONSULTANT shall be considered in default of this AGREEMENT for delays in performance caused by circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the non-performing party. For purposes of this AGREEMENT, such circumstances include, but are not limited to, abnormal weather conditions such as floods, earthquakes, fire; civil disturbances such

as war, riots, or other civil epidemic; power outages, strikes, lockouts, work slowdowns, or other labor disturbances; sabotage; judicial restraint, and inability to procure permits, licenses, or authorizations from any local, state, or federal agency for any of the supplies, materials, accesses, or services required to be provided by either OWNER or CONSULTANT under this AGREEMENT.

Should such circumstances occur, the non-performing party shall, within a reasonable time of being prevented from performing, give written notice to the other party describing the circumstances preventing continued performance and the efforts being made to resume performance of this AGREEMENT.

#### **ARTICLE 17 - WAIVER**

A waiver by either OWNER or CONSULTANT of any breach of this AGREEMENT shall be in writing. Such a waiver shall not affect the waiving party's rights with respect to any other or further breach.

#### **ARTICLE 18 - SEVERABILITY**

The invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability of any provision of this AGREEMENT or the occurrence of any event rendering any portion or provision of this AGREEMENT void shall in no way affect the validity or enforceability of any other portion or provision of this AGREEMENT. Any void provision shall be deemed severed from this AGREEMENT, and the balance of this AGREEMENT shall be construed and enforced as if this AGREEMENT did not contain the particular portion or provision held to be void. The parties further agree to amend this AGREEMENT to replace any stricken provision with a valid provision that comes as close as possible to the intent of the stricken provision. The provisions of this Article shall not prevent this entire AGREEMENT from being void should a provision which is of the essence of this AGREEMENT be determined void.

#### **ARTICLE 19 - INTEGRATION**

This AGREEMENT represents the entire and integrated AGREEMENT between OWNER and CONSULTANT. It supersedes all prior and contemporaneous communications, representations, and agreements, whether oral or written, relating to the subject matter of this AGREEMENT.

#### **ARTICLE 20 - SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS**

To the extent permitted by Article 22, OWNER and CONSULTANT each binds itself and its successors and assigns to the other party to this AGREEMENT.

#### **ARTICLE 21 - ASSIGNMENT**

Neither OWNER nor CONSULTANT shall assign its duties under this AGREEMENT without the prior written consent of the other party. Unless otherwise stated in the written consent to an assignment, no assignment will release or discharge the assignor from any obligation under this AGREEMENT. Nothing contained in this Article shall prevent CONSULTANT from employing independent sub-consultants, associates, and sub-contractors to assist in the performance of the SERVICES. However, third party entities must comply with Article 9.

#### **ARTICLE 22 - THIRD PARTY RIGHTS**

Nothing in this AGREEMENT shall be construed to give any rights or benefits to anyone other than OWNER and CONSULTANT.

#### **ARTICLE 23 - COMPLETION**

CONSULTANT shall complete the services within the time frame outlined on Attachment E, Schedule, subject to conditions which are beyond the control of the CONSULTANT.

#### **ARTICLE 24 - IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE**

24.1 CONSULTANT shall demonstrate that they:

- 24.1.1 Have complied, and shall at all times during the term of this Contract, comply in all respects with all immigration-related laws, statutes, ordinances and regulations including without limitation, the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, as amended, and the Oklahoma Taxpayer and Citizen Protection Act of 2007 (Oklahoma HB 1804) and any successor laws, ordinances or regulations (collectively, the Immigration Laws”); and
- 24.1.2 Have properly maintained, and shall at all times during the term of this Contract, maintain any and all employee records required by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (“DHS”), including, without limitation, properly completed and maintained Form I-9s for each of the Consultants employees; and
- 24.1.3 Have verified the employment eligibility for all employees hired on or after July 1, 2008 through DHS’s E-Verify system, and shall at all times continue to verify the employment eligibility of all employees hired during the term of this Contract; and
- 24.1.4 Have required, and will at all times during the term of this Contract, require any sub-contractor utilized, hired or sub-contracted for by Consultant for the completion or undertaking of any duties, tasks or responsibilities under this Contract, to comply the requirements and obligations imposed by the Immigration Laws and set forth in Paragraph (l), parts (a), (b) and (c), above, with regards to each of the sub-contractor’s employees.
- 24.2 CONSULTANT will indemnify, defend and hold harmless OWNER against any loss, cost, liability, expense (including, without limitation, costs and expenses of litigation and reasonable attorney’s fees) demands, claims, actions, causes of action, liabilities, suits, damages, including special and consequential damages that arise from or in connection with, directly or indirectly, CONSULTANT’S failure, deliberate or negligent, to fulfill its obligations and representations regarding verifying the employment eligibility of its employees and the employees of any subcontractor utilized by CONSULTANT as set forth more fully in Paragraph 24.1 above.

**ARTICLE 25 - FIREARMS INDUSTRY NONDISCRIMINATION**

CONSULTANT certifies, pursuant to 21 O.S. § 1289.31, that it does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association and that it will not so discriminate during the term of this AGREEMENT. This clause applies only if CONSULTANT is a company with at least ten (10) full-time employees and the AGREEMENT value is at least \$100,000 paid in whole or in part from City funds.

**ARTICLE 26 - COMMUNICATIONS**

Any communication required by this AGREEMENT shall be made in writing to the address specified below:

OWNER: City of Broken Arrow  
 485 N. Poplar Avenue  
 Broken Arrow, OK 74012  
 Contact: Mr. Charlie Bright, P.E.  
 Director of Engineering and Construction

CONSULTANT: R. L. Shears Company, PC  
 1522 South Carson Avenue  
 Tulsa, Oklahoma 74119  
 918.582-0612  
 Contact Name: Robert L. Shears II, ASLA  
 President

Nothing contained in this Article shall be construed to restrict the transmission of routine communications between representatives of OWNER and CONSULTANT.

**ARTICLE 27 – ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES**

The OWNER and CONSULTANT agree this transaction may be completed by electronic means and an electronic signature on this AGREEMENT will be given the same legal effect as a handwritten signature and cannot be denied enforceability solely because it is in electronic form. If CONSULTANT signs this AGREEMENT electronically and/or submits documents electronically, CONSULTANT agrees to comply with OWNER'S requirements for submission of electronically signed and/or submitted documents.



**ATTACHMENT A  
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**SCOPE OF SERVICES**

The following scope of services shall be made a part of the AGREEMENT dated the \_\_\_\_ day of May, 2026.

**1.0 PROJECT UNDERSTANDING**

- 1.1 The project consists of Construction Phase Services for the Broken Arrow Creek Trail Phase 2 project which will extend the Broken Arrow Creek Trail from the Phase I termination point at South 1st Place on the north side of East Ithica across Washington Street to connect to the existing trail in the Arrowhead Softball Complex and a Share the Road Bicycle Facility along Washington from 1<sup>st</sup> Place to Main Street.
- 1.2 CONSULTANT understands that the OWNER has retained their professional services in order to provide construction phase services for the PROJECT.

**2.0 PROJECT SCOPE**

- 2.1 The project includes the Construction Phase Services for the Project No. 196320 Broken Arrow Creek Trail Phase 2.

**3.0 SCOPE OF SERVICES**

- 3.1 CONSTRUCTION SERVICES PHASE: Attend Pre-Construction Meeting; Review Material Submittals; Assist with responses to questions and Requests for Information (RFIs); Attend progress meetings; Provide design changes during construction for the two projects described.

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**ORGANIZATION OF SUBMITTAL DOCUMENTS**

The CONSULTANT shall prepare the following documents as described as a part of the AGREEMENT dated the \_\_\_\_ day of May 2026.

- 1.0 REVISED CONSTRUCTION DRAWINGS:** The CONSULTANT shall submit in-full revised construction documents as necessary in accordance with City requirements in a form compatible with AutoCAD. It can be submitted via email, data download, or memory stick.

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**COMPENSATION AND ADDITIONAL SERVICES**

The following compensation and hourly rates shall apply as described in Attachment D and shall be made a part of the AGREEMENT dated the \_\_\_\_ day of May 2026.

**1.0 BASIC COMPENSATION**

The basic compensation for the Professional Consultant to perform all duties and responsibilities associated with the Scope of Services as described in Attachment A shall be in accordance with the following payment breakdown:

- 1.1 CONSTRUCTION PHASE SERVICES –The OWNER shall pay the CONSULTANT hourly based on the hourly rates below not to exceed \$15,000.00 for the completion of the Construction Documents. This amount includes all labor, material, overhead and profit associated with the Scope of Services.

Administrative:	\$80.00
Landscape Architect Intern:	\$100.00
Landscape Architect Technical I:	\$130.00
Landscape Architect Technical II:	\$140.00
Landscape Architect:	\$180.00
Landscape Architect / Project Manager	\$190.00
Principal Landscape Architect:	\$225.00

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**OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

The following list of special OWNER'S responsibilities and contract special conditions shall be made a part of this AGREEMENT dated the \_\_\_\_ day of May 2026.

**1.0 OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 1.1 OWNER shall furnish to CONSULTANT all available information pertinent to the PROJECT including previous reports and any other data relative to design and construction of the PROJECT;
- 1.2 OWNER shall examine all studies, reports, sketches, estimates, specifications, plan drawings, proposals, and other documents presented by the CONSULTANT and render in writing decisions pertaining thereto within a reasonable time so as not to delay the SERVICES of the CONSULTANT.

**2.0 SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

- 2.1 None

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**PROJECT SCHEDULE**

The following schedule shall be made a part of the AGREEMENT dated the \_\_\_\_ day of May, 2026.

The schedule for the services included in this AGREEMENT shall be based on the original PROJECT contract time (NTP to Substantial Completion).