

K22-1189

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO EMERGENCY CONTRACT

BETWEEN

THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS

AND

ACADIAN AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC.

THIS FIRST AMENDMENT (the “**Amendment**”) is entered into by and between the City of New Orleans, represented by LaToya Cantrell, Mayor (the “**City**”), and Acadian Ambulance Service, Inc., represented by Timothy J. Burke, Regional Vice-President (the “**Contractor**”). The City and the Contractor are sometimes each referred to as a “**Party**,” and collectively, as the “**Parties**.” The Amendment is effective as of August 1, 2021 (the “**Effective Date**”).

RECITALS

WHEREAS, on August 1, 2020, the City and the Contractor entered into an Emergency Contract for ambulance services (the “**Agreement**”); and

WHEREAS, the City and the Contractor, each having the authority to do so, desire to enter this Amendment to ensure continuity of services by extending the term for one year and five months; and

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the City and the Contractor amend the Agreement as follows:

1. **Extension.** In accordance with Article IV, Section (B)(1) and (B)(3) of the Agreement, the term is extended for one year and five months from the Effective Date through December 31, 2022.

2. **Price.** The City and Contractor reaffirm the price proposal submitted by the Contractor and contained in Exhibit “D” of the Agreement.

3. **Additional Miscellaneous Provisions.** The following terms and conditions are either being added to or replaced in Exhibit “E” of the Agreement:

Article X, Section (F) is being added to Exhibit “E” of the Agreement:

ARTICLE X – CONTRACTOR’S OBLIGATIONS

F. Invoices.

1. The Contractor must submit invoices monthly (unless agreed otherwise between the Parties to this Agreement) to the City electronically, via its supplier portal, for goods or services provided under this Agreement no later than ten (10) calendar days following the end of the period covered by the invoice. Untimely invoices may result in delayed payment for which the City is not liable. At a minimum, each invoice must include the following information:

- a. Name of Contractor;
- b. Date of Invoice;
- c. Invoice Number;

- d. Contract or BRASS Number issued by the City (i.e., K#);
 - e. Name of the City Department to be invoiced (i.e., New Orleans EMS);
 - f. Description of the Services completed;
 - g. FEMA or HUD project number, if applicable.
- 2. Invoices will be processed in accordance with Article X of the Agreement.
 - 3. All invoices must be signed by an authorized representative of the Contractor under penalty of perjury attesting to the validity and accuracy of the invoice.
 - 4. The City may require changes to the form of the invoice and may require additional supporting documentation to be submitted with invoices.

Article XIII, Section (A) is deleted entirely and is being replaced with the following language:

ARTICLE XIII-PAYMENT

- A. **Payment.** Unless otherwise agreed by the City, payment terms are NET 30 days upon providing those goods and/or services described under this Agreement and upon receipt by the City of properly submitted invoice via the City's supplier portal.

Article XXII, Section (I) is deleted entirely and is being replaced with the following language:

ARTICLE XXII – MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

I. Living Wages.

1. **Definitions.** Unless otherwise expressly provided in this Amendment, Capitalized terms used but not defined herein, shall have the definition attributed to them in Article VIII, Section 70-802 of the City Code.

2. **Compliance.** To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Contractor agrees to abide by City Code Sections 70-801, *et seq.*, which require, in pertinent part, the following:

a. Payment of an hourly wage to Covered Employees equal to the amounts defined in the City Code ("**Living Wage**");

b. Receipt of at least seven (7) days per year of compensated leave for Covered Employees, as required by Section 70-807 of the City Code; and

c. Post notice in a prominent place regarding the applicability of the Living Wage Ordinance in every workplace in which Covered Employees are working that is within the Covered Employer's custody and control, as required by Section 70-810 of the City Code.

3. **Living Wage.** In accordance with the Living Wage Ordinance, Living Wage shall be as follows:

- a. \$11.19 per hour for any work performed on or before December 31, 2021;
- b. \$13.25 per hour for any work performed on or before December 31, 2022;
- c. \$15.00 per hour for any work performed on or before December 31, 2023; and
- d. \$15.00 per hour plus any adjustment provided in subsection (4) below for any work performed during calendar year 2024 or thereafter.

4. **Adjusted Living Wage.** In accordance with Section 70-806(2) of the City Code, the Living Wage shall be annually adjusted for inflation, as defined by the Consumer Price Index calculated by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics as applied to the South Region, except that in no instance shall the Living Wage be adjusted downward. The first adjustment shall become effective on January 1, 2024, using the Consumer Price Index figures provided for the preceding year, and thereafter on an annual basis.

5. **Subcontract Requirements.** As required by Section 70-804 of the City Code, the Contractor, beneficiary, or other Covered Employer, prior to entering into a subcontract, shall notify subcontractors in writing of the requirements and applicability of Article VIII – The Living Wage Ordinance (“Article”). City contractors and beneficiaries shall be deemed responsible for violations of this Article by their subcontractors.

6. **Reporting.** On or before January 31st and upon request by the City, the Contractor shall identify (a) the hourly wage earned by the lowest paid Covered Employee and (b) the number of days of compensated leave received by Covered Employees earning less than 130% of the then-prevailing wage during the current term of the Agreement, and provide the identified information to the following:

Office of Workforce Development
Living Wage - Compliance
1340 Poydras Street – Suite 1800
New Orleans, Louisiana 70112

7. **Compliance Monitoring.** Covered Employers under this Amendment are subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement of the Living Wage requirements by the Office of Workforce Development (the “OWD”) and/or the Chief Administrative Office (“CAO”). Covered Employers will cooperate fully with the OWD and/or the CAO and other City employees and agents authorized to assist in the administration and enforcement of the Living Wage requirements. Steps and actions include, but are not limited to, requirements that: (i) the Contractor will cooperate fully with the OWD and the CAO and other City employees and agents authorized to assist in the administration and enforcement of

the Living Wage requirements; (ii) the Contractor agrees that the OWD and the CAO and their designees, in the performance of their duties, shall have the right to engage in random inspections of job sites and to have access to the employees of the Contractor, payroll records and employee paychecks; and (ii) that the City may audit such records of the Contractor as he or she reasonably deems necessary to determine compliance with the Living Wage standards.

8. **Remedies.** If the Contractor fails to comply with the Living Wage requirements during the term of the Amendment, said failure may result in termination of the Agreement or the pursuit of other remedies by the City, including, but not limited to, the penalties and enforcement mechanisms set forth in Section 70-811 of the City Code.

Article XXII, Section (V) is deleted entirely and is being replaced with the following language:

V. Force Majeure.

1. **Event.** An event of Force Majeure will include any event or occurrence not reasonably foreseeable by the City or the Contractor at the execution of this Agreement, which will include, but not be limited to, abnormally severe and unusual weather conditions or other acts of God (including tropical weather events, tornados, hurricanes, and flooding); declarations of emergency; shortages of labor or materials (not caused by City); riots; terrorism; acts of public enemy; war; sabotage; cyber-attacks, threats, or incidents; epidemics or pandemics; court or governmental order; or any other cause whatsoever that renders performance hereunder unsafe and which is beyond the reasonable control of either Party, provided such event was not caused by the negligence or misconduct of either Party, by the failure of either Party to comply with applicable laws, or by the breach of this Agreement.
2. **Notice.** To seek the benefit of this Article, the City must provide notice in writing to the Contractor stating: (1) an event triggering this Article has occurred; (2) the anticipated effect of the Force Majeure event on performance; and (3) the expected duration of the delay, if the Agreement is being suspended.
3. **Effect.**
 - a) Upon the occurrence of a Force Majeure event, for which either Party has provided required notice, the City may, at its sole discretion:
 - i. Suspend this Agreement for a duration to be set by the City, not to exceed ninety (90) days. During such time of suspension, the Parties will not be liable nor responsible for performance of their respective obligations under this Agreement, and there will be excluded from the computation of such period of time any delays directly due to the occurrence of the Force Majeure event. During any such period of suspension, the Contractor must take all commercially reasonable actions to mitigate against the effects of the Force Majeure event and to

ensure the prompt resumption of performance when so instructed by the City; or

- ii. Terminate this Agreement, either immediately or after one or more periods of suspension, effective on advance written notice to Contractor and without any further compensation due.
- b) Notwithstanding Section (3)(a) above, the obligations relating to making payments when due (for services or materials already provided) and those obligations specified to survive in the Agreement will be unaffected by any suspension or termination.

Article XXII, Section (W) is added to Exhibit "E" of the Agreement:

W. HireNOLA Program.

1. The Contractor agrees to use its best efforts to abide by City Code Sections 70-496, *et seq.*, to demonstrate good faith efforts to fully carry out the applicable requirements of the HireNOLA Program as defined in the City Code. If the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of the HireNOLA Program during the term of the Agreement, said failure may result in termination of the Agreement or pursuit of other remedies.

4. **Special Conditions for Federal Contracts.** The "Federal Contract Clauses," attached as Exhibit "G" to the original Agreement, are expressly incorporated into the Amendment and effective immediately if the City has indicated it will or may seek reimbursement from the federal program in the procurement documents or upon the City's written notice to the Contractor that the City intends to seek reimbursement from the federal Program in connection with the services to be performed under this Agreement.

5. **Cost Recovery.** In accordance with Section 2-8.1 of the Municipal Code entitled "Cost recovery in contracts, cooperative endeavor agreements, and grants," to the maximum extent permitted by law, the Contractor shall reimburse the City or disgorge anything of value or economic benefit received from the City if the Contractor fails to meet its contractual obligations under the Agreement or this Amendment.

6. **Convicted Felon Statement.** The Contractor swears that it complies with City Code Section 2-8(c) that No Contractor principal, member, or officer has, within the preceding five (5) years, been convicted of, or pled guilty to, a felony under state or federal statutes for embezzlement, theft of public funds, bribery, or falsification or destruction of public records.

7. **Non-Solicitation Statement.** The Contractor swears that it has not employed nor retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for it, to solicit or secure this Amendment. The Contractor has not paid or agreed to pay any person, other than a bona fide employee working for it, any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or any other consideration contingent upon or resulting from this Amendment.

8. **Prior Terms Binding.** Except as otherwise provided by this Amendment, the terms and conditions of the Agreement remain in full force and effect.

9. **Counterparts.** This Amendment may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original copy of this Amendment, but all of which, when taken together, shall constitute one and the same agreement.

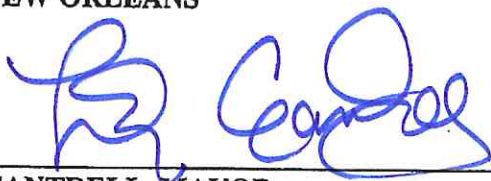
10. **Electronic Signature and Delivery.** The Parties agree that a manually signed copy of this Amendment and any other document(s) attached to this Amendment delivered by facsimile, email, or other means of electronic transmission shall be deemed to have the same legal effect as delivery of an original signed copy of this Amendment. No legally binding obligation shall be created with respect to a Party until such Party has delivered or caused to be delivered a manually signed copy of this Amendment.

[SIGNATURES CONTAINED ON THE NEXT PAGE]

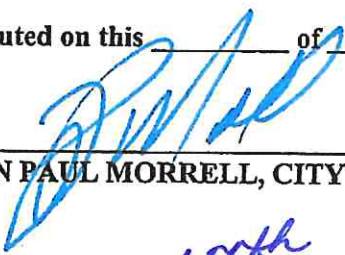
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City and the Contractor, through their duly authorized representatives, execute this Amendment.

CITY OF NEW ORLEANS

BY: 
LATOYA CANTRELL, MAYOR

Executed on this _____ of _____, 202__.

BY: 
JEAN PAUL MORRELL, CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Executed on this 17th of April, 2023

FORM AND LEGALITY APPROVED:
Law Department

By: 
Printed Name: Tracy Tyle

ACADIAN AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC.

BY: _____
TIMOTHY J. BURKE, REGIONAL VICE-PRESIDENT

FEDERAL TAX I.D.

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ACADIAN AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC.

BY:  _____
TIMOTHY J. BURKE, REGIONAL VICE-PRESIDENT

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