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Mr. Kevin Sanders  
San Mateo-Foster City School District  
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Via E-Mail: [ksanders@smfcsd.net](mailto:ksanders@smfcsd.net)

**Subject:       *Shell & Beach Sidewalks for New Elementary School*  
                    *1050 Shell Boulevard, Foster City, CA 94404*  
                    *CEL #10-55893PW*  
                    *Materials Testing and Construction Inspection Services***

Dear Mr. Sanders:

Consolidated Engineering Laboratories (CEL) is pleased to submit our budget estimate proposal to provide materials testing and construction inspection services for the ***Shell & Beach Sidewalks for New Elementary School project, located in Foster City, California.*** CEL would be proud to be part of your team, helping to ensure the construction quality and success of this project.

Following are our cost estimate and scope of services. We assembled this proposal based on the following sources:

- Scope discussion with Project Inspector Ralph Adams June 8, 2020

Thank you for giving CEL the opportunity to be a part of your project team. We are committed to providing our clients the very best service possible to fulfill their testing and inspection needs, and are eager to prove this commitment to you. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

**CONSOLIDATED ENGINEERING LABORATORIES**

William K. Cale, Jr.  
Senior Project manager

## THOUGHTFUL ASSUMPTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

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- This is a time and materials budget estimate proposal
- The responsible jurisdiction is the City of Foster City
- No overtime or shift differential time is included in this proposal

## SCOPE OF SERVICES AND PRICING

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Shell & Beach Sidewalks for New Elementary School			
DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	RATE	TOTAL
Moisture Density Curves	2.00	\$ 330.00	\$ 660.00
Rock Correction for Oversize Material	2.00	\$ 89.00	\$ 178.00
Soils Compaction Testing (4 visits)	32.00	\$ 89.00	\$ 2,848.00
Final Affidavit (per permit #)	1.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Project Engineering and Management	1.00	10%	\$ 408.60
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$ 4,494.60</b>

## CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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- I. **FEES:** The estimated contract price is based on the best information made available to CEL at the time the estimate was performed. If subcontractors perform more quickly than scheduled, Client will receive a cost savings for testing. If, however, subcontractors' schedules are extended or delayed, Client may receive a resulting increase in costs for testing. Client recognizes that the additional services rendered herein under this Proposal are schedule driven and are mandated by the scheduling and staffing of the contractor(s). Should items and quantities alter from estimates outlined herein, CEL shall be entitled to compensation for services rendered. In addition, Client recognizes that, on occasion, due to the schedule of the contractor or relevant subcontractors, occasional overtime may be required. CEL typically will have no notice of this until the day the said overtime occurs. Client agrees to compensate CEL for such overtime. Any estimated quantities contained herein are estimates only and Client agrees to payment for services rendered in excess of the estimated quantities and/or cost figures as described herein. Fees for CEL's services will be billed on a time and expenses basis at the unit rates quoted and CEL shall submit biweekly invoices for services rendered and for reimbursable expenses incurred. Invoices are due within 30 days from receipt. Past due invoices are subject to a finance charge of 1% per month or the maximum rate permitted by law.
- II. **FINAL AFFIDAVIT:** The first invoice from CEL shall include the estimated cost to prepare the Final Inspection Report. However, the Final Inspection Report will not be issued until the sixth working day following the request for the Final Inspection Report by Client's authorized representative. Additionally, as a condition precedent to release of the Final Inspection Report, Client shall have paid in full for all services performed by CEL pursuant to this Agreement.
- III. **INSPECTION:** Inspection shall consist of visual observation of materials, equipment, or construction work for the purpose of ascertaining that the work is in substantial conformance with the contract documents. Such inspection shall not be relied upon by others as acceptance of the work nor shall it be construed to relieve the contractor, subcontractors, or materialmen in any way from their obligations and responsibilities under the construction contracts. Specifically, but without limitation, inspection shall not require the inspector to assume responsibilities for the means and methods of construction nor for safety on the jobsite of any party other than CEL employees.
- IV. **STANDARD OF CARE:** In providing services under this agreement, CEL shall exercise that degree of skill and care ordinarily used by other reputable members of CEL's profession, practicing in the same or similar locality and under similar circumstances at the time these services are rendered. Nothing in this agreement shall be interpreted to require CEL to meet any higher standard and this paragraph shall control over any such contrary provision. CEL makes no warranty, either expressed or implied, as to its findings, recommendations, specifications or professional advice. CEL will provide only those services that, in the opinion of CEL, lie within the technical and professional areas of expertise of CEL as set forth herein and which CEL is adequately staffed and equipped to perform. Client shall request in writing if Client desires CEL to provide services outside of the scope of services described herein. CEL shall advise Client of any services that lie outside the technical and professional expertise of CEL.
- V. **LIABILITY:** In recognition of the relative risks of the Client and CEL on the Project, Client agrees, to the maximum extent permitted by law, that CEL's liability to Client and any third party, in any way arising out of this Agreement, shall be limited to 100% of the total fees and costs paid to CEL or \$25,000, whichever is greater. Client agrees to compensate CEL at its standard hourly rates in the event CEL is requested to perform services in connection with litigation, claims or disputes arising out of this project or in the event CEL, its agents or employees are subpoenaed or otherwise compelled to participate in litigation, claims or disputes arising out of this project. CEL shall not be responsible for acts and/or omissions of any party or parties involved in the design of the Project or the failure of any Contractor or Subcontractor to construct any aspect of the Project in accordance with the Agreement documents, or in accordance with recommendations contained in any correspondence or written recommendations issued to CEL.
- VI. **LITIGATION:** In case of any dispute, claim, question, or disagreement arising out of or relating to this Contract or the breach thereof, the parties hereto shall use all reasonable efforts to settle such disputes, claims, questions, or disagreement. To this effect, they shall consult and negotiate with each other, in good faith and, recognizing their mutual interests, attempt to reach a just and equitable solution satisfactory to both parties. Client and CEL agree to continue to perform their obligations under this Contract during the good faith resolution of such a dispute, claim, question, or disagreement. In the event that any litigation, arbitration, or other proceeding is commenced between the parties hereto or their personal representatives, successors or assigns concerning the enforcement or interpretation of any provision of this Contract or the rights and duties of any party in relation thereto, the party or parties prevailing in such litigation, arbitration or other proceeding shall be entitled, in addition such other relief as may be granted, to reasonable attorneys' fees and costs. For the purposes of this paragraph, the "prevailing party" shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of California Civil Code section 1717.
- VII. **STATE PREVAILING WAGE:** It shall be Client's sole responsibility to notify CEL of any prevailing wage requirements before any services are performed for the Project. Should it be revealed subsequent to the execution of an agreement for services that this project is indeed a prevailing wage project and if CEL is thereafter mandated to comply with those requirements, there will be a 10% surcharge to the hourly rates quoted in our Proposal. In addition, in the event notification is not given to CEL, Client shall be fully responsible for payment of all fines, penalties, and/or damages imposed upon CEL for any failure to comply with the prevailing wage laws.

*Contract Terms and Conditions (cont'd)*

- VIII. CLIENT'S RESPONSIBILITIES:** Client or Client's authorized representatives will promptly and timely provide CEL with all revised and updated plans, specifications, addenda, change orders, approved shop drawings and any other information for the proper performance of CEL pursuant to this Contract. Client agrees that CEL has been engaged to provide technical professional services only, and that CEL does not owe a fiduciary responsibility to Client. Client shall secure and maintain throughout the full period of this Contract, sufficient insurance to protect it adequately from claims under applicable Worker's Compensation Acts and from claims for bodily injury, death or property damage as may arise from the performance of services under this Contract. CEL shall not be responsible for any errors and/or omissions in the performance of CEL's work or services rendered resulting from Client's failure to provide CEL with revised and updated plans, specifications, addenda, change orders, approved shop drawings and other information for the proper performance of CEL. Client or Client's authorized representatives will give a minimum of 24 hours notification for all dispatch requests. Cancellations received on the day of inspection are subject to a 2-hour show-up charge.
- IX. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS REQUIREMENT:** If hazardous materials are encountered by CEL's employees on Client's project site resulting in the need for specialized training or certifications as required by State and Federal agencies in order for CEL's inspection personnel to perform their duties, then all related costs for such specific training, including class time, will be billed to Client with a 15% markup. Personnel time for necessary training classes will be billed at the hourly rate quoted herein.
- X. CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS:** Credit card payments will be charged a convenience fee of 2.5% of the total invoice amount.
- XI. ADDITIONAL SERVICES:** Should additional services be requested that are not included in CEL's proposed scope of services, CEL will provide these services at the unit rates listed in our published 2020 Fee Schedule.
- XII. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE SYSTEMS:** This proposal does not assume the requirement to enter into an accounts payable system, such as Textura, and should it be required, any fee associated with that shall be considered a reimbursable expense and shall be charged to the client.
- XIII. ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT:** This Contract is subject to acceptance only of the terms and conditions stated herein. Any additional or different terms and conditions proposed by Client are hereby rejected, and shall be of no force or effect unless expressly assented to in writing by CEL. There shall be no contract except upon the terms and conditions provided herein. By directing CEL to commence performance, after your receipt of this Contract, you agree to comply with all the terms and conditions set forth herein. This Contract contains the entire and integrated agreement between Client and CEL and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations or agreements, either written or oral. This Contract cannot be amended or modified except by a written addendum, executed by each of the parties hereto. This Contract shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of California.
- XIV. BASIS OF CHARGES:** The proposed unit rates will be in effect through December 31, 2020. Thereafter, the unit rates are subject to an annual increase of four and one-half percent (4.5%) per year to mitigate the annual operating cost increases:

Work over 8 Hours per day	Time and One-Half
Work over 12 Hours, Monday through Friday	Double Time
Work on Saturdays	Time and One-Half
Work over 8 Hours on Saturdays	Double Time
Work on Sundays/Holidays	Double Time
Swing or Graveyard Shift Premium	\$12.50 per Hour
Work from 0-4 Hours	4-Hour Minimum Billing
Work from 4-8 Hours	8-Hour Minimum Billing
Show-Up Time	2-Hour Minimum Billing
Same-Day Service Call Requests	\$200.00/each
Sample Pick-Up	\$89.00/Trip
Laboratory Testing – Rush Fee	Add 50% to Testing Cost
Technician with a Nuclear Gauge	Portal-to-Portal
Final Affidavit (per permit number) (request six working days advanced notice)	\$400.00
Extra Copies (over four per issue date) of Inspection Reports and Final Affidavit	\$20.00/each
Project Engineering and Management	10% of Fees
Credit Card Payment of Fees	2.5% Premium
Reimbursables	Cost + 15%
QA/QC Plan Written Procedures	Quotation upon Request
Out of Area Services (beyond 40-mile radius)	As Listed Below:
Travel Time	Basic Hourly Rate
Mileage	\$0.60/Mile
Per-Diem, including lodging	\$120.00/Day