

**MILPITAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR SERVICES AGREEMENT**

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This INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR SERVICES AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is made and entered into effective January 29, 2020 (the “Effective Date”), by and between the Milpitas Unified School District (“District”) and Hobach-Lewin, Inc. (“Contractor”).

1. **Contractor Services.** Contractor agrees to provide the following services to District (collectively, the “Services”):

- Topographic Survey, Utility Survey and Aerial Survey for Milpitas High & Spangler Elementary
- Partial Topographic Survey at Rancho and Russell Fields

2. **Contractor Qualifications.** Contractor represents and warrants to District that Contractor, and all of Contractor’s employees, agents or volunteers (the “Contractor Parties”), have in effect and shall maintain in full force throughout the Term of this Agreement all licenses, credentials, permits and any other qualifications required by law to perform the Services and to fully and faithfully satisfy all of the terms set forth in this Agreement. Contractor and any Contractor Parties performing Services shall be competent to perform those Services.

3. **Term.** This Agreement shall begin on January 29, 2020, and shall terminate upon completion of the Services, but no later than June 30, 2020 (“Term”), except as otherwise stated in Section 4 below. There shall be no extension of the Term of this Agreement without the express written consent of all parties. Written notice by the District Superintendent or designee shall be sufficient to stop further performance of the Services by Contractor or the Contractor Parties. In the event of early termination, Contractor shall be paid for satisfactory Services performed to the date of termination. Upon payment by District, District shall be under no further obligation to Contractor, monetarily or otherwise, and District may proceed with the work in any manner District deems proper.

4. **Termination.** Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving thirty (30) days advance written notice to the other party, however the parties may agree in writing to a shorter notice period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, District may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving written notice to Contractor if Contractor materially breaches any of the terms of this Agreement, any act or omission of Contractor or the Contractor Parties exposes District to potential liability or may cause an increase in District’s insurance premiums, Contractor is adjudged a bankrupt, Contractor makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, or a receiver is appointed because of Contractor’s insolvency. Such termination shall be effective immediately upon Contractor’s receipt of the notice.

5. **Payment of Fees for Services.** Contractor shall not increase the rate over the course of this Agreement. Total fees (“the Fee”) paid by District to Contractor shall not exceed **\$71,500 for Milpitas High, \$33,400 for Spangler Elementary, \$9,850 for Russell Middle School, and \$9,850 for Rancho Middle School. A total of \$123,650 (One Hundred Twenty Three Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Dollars and no cents).** Any work performed by Contractor in excess of the Fee shall not be compensated. District agrees to pay the Fee, up to the maximum amount provided herein, within sixty (60) days of receipt of a detailed invoice from Contractor, including any additional supporting documentation District reasonably requests.

6. **Indemnity.** Contractor 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 Contractor, the Contractor Parties or their respective agents, subcontractors, employees, material or equipment suppliers, invitees, or licensees in the performance of or failure to perform Contractor’s obligations under this Agreement, including, but not limited to Contractor’s or the Contractor Parties’ use of the site, Contractor’s or the Contractor Parties’ performance of the Services, Contractor’s or the Contractor Parties’ 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 6 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 Contractor or Contractor Parties under the California Fair Employment and Housing Act (“FEHA”).

7. **Equipment and Materials.** Contractor at its sole cost and expense shall provide and furnish all tools, labor, materials, equipment, transportation services and any other items (collectively, “Equipment”) which are required or necessary to perform the Services in a manner which is consistent with generally accepted standards of the profession for similar services. Notwithstanding the foregoing, District shall not be responsible for any damages to persons or property as a result of the use, misuse or failure of any Equipment used by Contractor or the Contractor Parties, even if such Equipment is furnished, rented or loaned to Contractor or the Contractor Parties by District. Furthermore, District may reject any Equipment or workmanship that does not conform to the requirements of this Agreement and Contractor must then promptly remedy or replace it at no additional cost to District and subject to District’s reasonable satisfaction.

8. **Insurance.** Without in any way limiting Contractor’s liability, or indemnification obligations set forth in Section 6 above, Contractor shall secure and maintain throughout the Term of this Agreement the following insurance: (i) comprehensive general liability insurance with limits of not less than \$1 Million each occurrence and \$2 Million in the aggregate; (ii) commercial automobile liability insurance with limits not less than \$2 Million each occurrence, if applicable; and (iii) worker’s compensation insurance as required by Labor Code section 3200, *et seq.*, if applicable. Neither Contractor nor any of the Contractor Parties shall commence performing any portion of the Services until all required insurance has been obtained and certificates indicating the required coverages have been delivered to and approved by District. All insurance policies shall include an endorsement stating that District and District Parties are named additional insureds. All of the policies shall be amended to provide that the insurance shall not be suspended, voided, canceled, reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days’ prior written notice has been given to District. If such a notice is not given or even if District receives a notice, District may, at its sole option, terminate this Agreement. All insurance policies shall include an endorsement stating that it is primary to any insurance or self-insurance maintained by District and shall

waive all rights of subrogation against District and/or the District Parties. A copy of the declarations page of Contractor's insurance policies shall be attached to this Agreement as proof of insurance.

9. **Independent Contractor Status.** Contractor is engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, or business to provide the Services required by this Agreement and is hereby retained to provide specialized services for District that are outside the usual course of District's business. Contractor is free from the control and direction of District in connection with the manner in which it provides the Services to District. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor and the Contractor Parties shall not be considered officers, employees, agents, partners, or joint venturers of District, and are not entitled to benefits of any kind or nature normally provided to employees of District and/or to which District's employees are normally entitled.

10. **Taxes.** All payments made by District to Contractor pursuant to this Agreement shall be reported to the applicable federal and state taxing authorities as required. District will not withhold any money from fees payable to Contractor, including FICA (social security), state or federal unemployment insurance contributions, or state or federal income tax or disability insurance. Contractor 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 Contractor and the Contractor Parties and otherwise in connection with this Agreement.

11. **Fingerprinting/Criminal Background Investigation Certification.** Contractor and the Contractor Parties shall at all times comply with the fingerprinting and criminal background investigation requirements of the California Education Code ("Education Code") section 45125.1. Accordingly, by checking the applicable boxes below, Contractor hereby represents and warrants to District the following:

A.  Contractor and the Contractor Parties will **only have limited or no contact** (as determined by District) with District students at all times during the Term of this Agreement.

B.  The following Contractor and Contractor Parties will have **more than limited contact** (as determined by District) with District students during the Term of this Agreement:

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C.  (Required only if Box 11.B is checked.) All of the Contractor and Contractor Parties noted above, at no cost to District, have completed background checks and have been fingerprinted under procedures established by the California Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the results of those background checks and fingerprints reveal that none of these Contractor and Contractor Parties have been arrested or convicted of a serious or violent felony, as defined by the California Penal Code.

Contractor further agrees and acknowledges that if at any time during the Term of this Agreement Contractor learns or becomes aware of additional information which differs in any way from the representations set forth above, or Contractor or Contractor Parties add personnel who will provide Services under this Agreement, Contractor shall immediately notify District and prohibit any new

personnel from having any contact with District students until the fingerprinting and background check requirements set forth in this Section 11 have been satisfied and District determines whether any contact is permissible.

12. **Tuberculosis Certification.** Contractor and the Contractor Parties shall at all times comply with the tuberculosis (“TB”) certification requirements of Education Code section 49406. Accordingly, by checking the applicable boxes below, Contractor hereby represents and warrants to District the following:

A.  Contractor and Contractor Parties will **only have limited or no contact** (as determined by District) with District students at all times during the Term of this Agreement.

B.  The following Contractor and Contractor Parties will have **more than limited contact** (as determined by District) with District students during the Term of this Agreement and, at no cost to District, have received a TB test or risk assessment in full compliance with the requirements of Education Code section 49406:

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[Attach and sign additional pages, as needed.]

Contractor shall maintain on file the certificates showing that the Contractor and Contractor Parties were examined and found free from active TB. These forms shall be regularly maintained and updated by Contractor and shall be available to District upon request or audit.

Contractor further agrees and acknowledges that all new personnel hired to provide Services under this Agreement after the Effective Date of this Agreement by Contractor and Contractor Parties are subject to the TB certification requirements of Education Code section 49406 and shall be prohibited from having any contact with District students until the TB certification requirements have been satisfied and District determines whether any contact is permissible.

13. **Confidential Information.** Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of, and protect from unauthorized disclosure, any and all individual student information received from the District, including but not limited to student names and other identifying information. Contractor shall not use such student information for any purpose other than carrying out the obligations under this Agreement. Upon termination of this Agreement, Contractor shall turn over to District all educational records related to the Services provided to any District student pursuant to this Agreement.

14. **Assignment/Successors and Assigns.** Contractor shall not assign or transfer by operation of law or otherwise any or all of its rights, burdens, duties or obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of District. Subject to the foregoing, this Agreement shall be binding on the heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns of the respective parties.

15. **Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement shall be held invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provision of this Agreement.

16. **Amendments.** The terms of this Agreement shall not be waived, altered, modified, supplemented

or amended in any manner whatsoever except by written agreement signed by both parties.

17. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California, excluding its choice of law rules. Any action or proceeding seeking any relief under or with respect to this Agreement shall be brought solely in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Santa Clara, subject to transfer of venue under applicable State law, provided that nothing in this Agreement shall constitute a waiver of immunity to suit by the District.

18. **Written Notice.** Written notice shall be deemed to have been duly served if delivered in person to Contractor at the address located next to the party signatures below, or if delivered at or sent by registered or certified or overnight mail to the last business address known to the person who sends the notice.

19. **Compliance with Law.** Each and every provision of law and clause required by law to be inserted into this Agreement shall be deemed to be inserted herein and this Agreement shall be read and enforced as though it were included therein. Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances, including but not limited to fingerprinting under Education Code section 45125.1, confidentiality of records, Education Code section 49406 and others. Contractor agrees that it shall comply with all legal requirements for the performance of duties under this Agreement and that failure to do so shall constitute material breach.

20. **Non-Discrimination.** There shall be no unlawful discrimination in the contracting of persons under this Agreement because of race, color, national origin, age, ancestry, religion, sex, or sexual orientation of such persons.

21. [*Optional provision*] **Attorney Fees.** If any legal action is taken to interpret or enforce the terms of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorneys' fees and other reasonable costs and expenses incurred in connection with that legal action.

22. **Liability of District.** Notwithstanding anything stated herein to the contrary, District shall not be liable for any special, consequential, indirect or incidental damages, including but not limited to lost profits in connection with this Agreement.

23. **Time.** Time is of the essence to this Agreement.

24. **Waiver.** No delay or omission by District in exercising any right under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver of that or any other right and no single or partial exercise of any right shall preclude the District from any or further exercise of any right or remedy.

25. **Reports.** Contractor shall maintain complete and accurate records with respect to the Services rendered and the costs incurred under this Agreement, including records with respect to any payments to employees and subcontractors. All such records shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting procedures. Upon request, Contractor shall make such records available to District for the purpose of auditing and copying such records for a period of five years from the date of final payment under this Agreement.

26. **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement is intended by the parties as the final expression of their agreement with respect to such terms as are included herein and as the complete and exclusive statement

of its terms and may not be contradicted by evidence of any prior agreement or of a contemporaneous oral agreement, nor explained or supplemented by evidence of consistent additional terms.

27. **Ambiguity.** The parties to this Agreement, and each of them, hereby represent that the language contained herein is to be construed as jointly proposed and jointly accepted, and in the event of any subsequent determination of ambiguity, all parties shall be treated as equally responsible for such ambiguity.

28. **Execution of Other Documents.** The parties to this Agreement shall cooperate fully in the execution of any and all other documents and in the completion of any additional actions that may be necessary or appropriate to give full force and effect to the terms and intent of this Agreement.

29. **Execution in Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in counterparts such that the signatures may appear on separate signature pages. A copy, facsimile, or an original, with all signatures appended together, shall be deemed a fully executed agreement.

30. **Warranty of Authority.** The persons who have signed this Agreement warrant that they are legally authorized to do so on behalf of the respective parties, and by their signatures to bind the respective parties to this Agreement.

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**DISTRICT:**

**CONTRACTOR:**

**MILPITAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Wendy Zhang  
Title: Asst. Superintendent, Business Services

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address for District Notices:

Address for Contractor Notices:

Milpitas Unified School District  
1331 E Calaveras Blvd  
Milpitas, CA 95035

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**DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE CERTIFICATION**

This Drug-Free Workplace Certification is required pursuant to Government Code Sections 8350 *et seq.*, the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990. The Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990 requires that every person or organization awarded a contract or grant for the procurement of any property or services from any State agency must certify that it will provide a drug-free workplace by doing certain specified acts. In addition, the Act provides that each contract awarded by a State agency may be subject to suspension of payments or termination of the contract, or both, and the contractor may be subject to debarment from future contracting if the state agency determines that specified acts have occurred.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 8355, every person or organization awarded a contract or grant from a State agency shall certify that it will provide a drug-free workplace by doing all of the following:

- (a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the person's or organization's workplace and specifying actions which will be taken against employees for violations of the prohibition;
- (b) Establishing a drug-free awareness program to inform employees about all of the following:
  - (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
  - (2) The person's or organization's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
  - (3) The availability of drug counseling, rehabilitation and employee-assistance programs;
  - (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse Violations;
- (c) Requiring that each employee engaged in the performance of the contract or grant be given a copy of the statement required by subdivision (a) and that, as a condition of employment on the contract or grant, the employee agrees to abide by the terms of the statement.

I, the undersigned, agree to fulfill the terms and requirements of Government Code Section 8355 listed above and will publish a statement notifying employees concerning (a) the prohibition of controlled substance at the workplace, (b) establishing a drug-free awareness program, and (c) requiring that each employee engaged in the performance of the contract or grant be given a copy of the statement required by Section 8355(a) and requiring that the employee agree to abide by the terms of that statement.

I also understand that if the Owner determines that I have either (a) made a false certification herein, or (b) violated this certification by failing to carry out the requirements of Section 8355, that the contract or grant awarded herein is subject to suspension of payments, termination, or both. I further understand that should I violate the terms of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990, I may be subject to debarment in accordance with the requirements of Section 8350 *et seq.*

I acknowledge that I am aware of the provisions of Government Code Section 8350 *et seq.* and hereby certify that I will adhere to the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990.

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Name of Contractor

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Signature

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Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION CERTIFICATE**

Labor Code Section 3700, in relevant part, provides:

"Every employer except the state shall secure the payment of compensation in one or more of the following ways:

(a) By being insured against liability to pay compensation in one or more insurers duly authorized to write compensation insurance in this state.

(b) By securing from the Director of Industrial Relations a certificate of consent to self-insure either as an individual employer or as one employer in a group of employers. Said certificate may be given upon furnishing proof satisfactory to the Director of Industrial Relations of ability to self-insure and to pay any compensation that may become due to his or her employees, ... "

I am aware of the provisions of the Labor Code Section 3700 which require every employer to be insured against liability for workers' compensation or to undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of that code, and I will comply with such provisions before commencing the performance of the work of this contract. I shall supply the Owner with certificates of insurance evidencing that Workers' Compensation Insurance is in effect and providing that the Owner will receive thirty (30) days' notice of cancellation.

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Name of Contractor

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Signature

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Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

(In accordance with Article 5 (commencing at Section 1860), Chapter 1, Part 7, Division 2 of the Labor Code, the above certificate must be signed and filed with the awarding body prior to performing any work under the contract.)