



PROJECT SERVICES AGREEMENT

# Downtown Streetscape Planning & Preliminary Design

Pontiac, Illinois

May 14, 2026

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James B. Woolford  
City Administrator  
City of Pontiac  
115 W. Howard St.  
Pontiac, IL 61764

RE: Project Services Agreement for Downtown Streetscape Planning & Preliminary Design

Dear Jim:

We appreciated the opportunity to meet with the Infrastructure Committee to discuss the possibilities and next steps for downtown streetscape enhancements. Building on our 2021 master planning work, we are excited about the opportunity to advance the planning and design process for the potential transformation of key downtown blocks into vibrant, memorable streetscapes that enhance both functionality and community character.

Farnsworth Group, Inc. ("Farnsworth Group") is pleased to present this Project Services Agreement ("Agreement") to the City of Pontiac ("Client") to planning and preliminary design services for several blocks within the core of downtown Pontiac.

The following pages provide specific details regarding the scope of work, project approach, project team, etc. Please indicate your acceptance of this Agreement, including the attached General Conditions, by signing and returning one copy for our records. We appreciate your consideration and look forward to collaborating with you on this truly important civic project for residents and visitors of Pontiac.

Sincerely,

FARNSWORTH GROUP, INC.



Jeff Martin, PLA  
Senior Community & Urban Planner



Joe Russow, PE  
Project Engineer

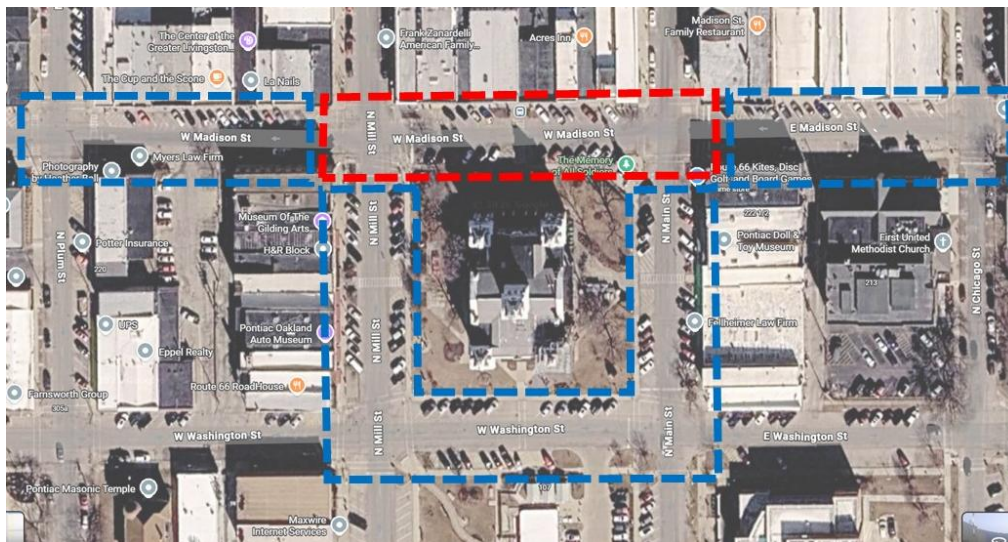
## PROJECT OVERVIEW /

Our understanding of the project is based on the following communications:

- Phone call between Farnsworth Group and City of Pontiac on April 22, 2026.
- Meeting between Farnsworth Group and Infrastructure Committee on May 6, 2026. The meeting included discussion of general items to consider for the plan:
  - o Focus on improvements to Madison Street between Chicago Street and Plum Street, but also considering how improvements could extend around courthouse square.
  - o Maintain one-way streets, but look at opportunities to widen sidewalks for outdoor dining, etc.
  - o Consider raising streets into a 'curbless' street.
  - o Improve overall aesthetic enhancements (landscaping, site amenities, etc.)
  - o Enhance ADA accessibility.

## PROJECT LIMITS /

The project limits include both the areas outlined in red and blue on the graphic below. The red area will include planning and preliminary design, while the blue areas will only include planning (see scope of work).



## SCOPE OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES /

### SCOPE OF WORK /

Farnsworth Group's scope of work includes a full-service approach within the parameters set by the scope identified within this proposal. Our in-house team will include our Planning, Landscape Architectural, and Graphic Design disciplines. We have included all design services, as well as the necessary interface with the Client. The scope of work includes the services described as follows:

## PLANNING PHASE (ALL SIX BLOCKS OF STUDY AREA) /

- **Task 1 / Project Base Map:**
  - o Utilizing available online resources or materials provided by Client (aerial imagery, parcel data, topography survey, etc.), prepare digital project base map that will be utilized throughout the planning process.

- **Task 2 / Project Kickoff (Meeting #1)**
  - Conduct a project kickoff meeting with Client and Community Advisory Group (CAG). Utilizing the project base map, discuss with Client and CAG overall goals and objectives, and discuss various streetscape opportunities and constraints (parking, sidewalk widths, ADA access, etc.). In addition, discuss general thoughts on overall design aesthetic, potential materials, and suggested/desired site amenities (site furniture, lighting, EV charging, etc.)
- **Task 3 / Sketch Concept Plan**
  - Utilizing the project base map and input from Task 2, prepare a Sketch Concept Plan for all 6 blocks of the study area. Preliminary Sketch Concept Plan will be broad in nature, but may include the following design features:
    - ✓ Revised parking layouts
    - ✓ Revised sidewalk layout / widths
    - ✓ Adjustments to curb locations / drive aisle widths
    - ✓ Curb extensions ('bumpouts')
    - ✓ Raised streets / intersections
    - ✓ Seating / gathering areas
    - ✓ AI fresco dining opportunities
    - ✓ Landscaping
    - ✓ Site amenities
    - ✓ Streetlights
    - ✓ Route 66 considerations
  - Assemble precedent imagery (catalogue cut sheets and as-built photographs) for items listed above to assist in conveying design intent.
- **Task 4 / Sketch Concept Plan Review (Meeting #2)**
  - Review Sketch Concept Plan and precedent imagery with Client and CAG. Purpose of review is to determine which elements to further refine in the next step of planning.
- **Task 5 / Final Concept Plan (Draft)**
  - Utilizing input from Task 4, prepare Final Concept Plan (Draft) for all 6 blocks of the study area that will include the following components:
    - ✓ Color rendered site plan that includes a keyed legend for proposed design elements and amenities.
    - ✓ Inspirational images that help further convey design intent.

## PRELIMINARY DESIGN (ONE BLOCK OF STUDY AREA) /

- **Task 6 / Working Session (Meeting #3)**
  - Meet with Client and CAG to review Final Concept Plan (Draft). Meeting is intended for a more detailed and robust discussion on the preliminary design to date for Madison Street between Main Street and Mill Street, and what should be refined as part of the next steps of preliminary design.
- **Task 7 / Schematic Design Plan**
  - Prepare a Schematic Design Plan for one block of Madison Street. Plan will be prepared in AutoCAD utilizing the project base map. Included may be the following:
    - ✓ Layout of all parking, curbs, curb extensions, and raised portions of the street,
    - ✓ Preliminary grading considerations
    - ✓ Street lighting and technology opportunities,
    - ✓ Stormwater, utilities, and infrastructure considerations,

- ✓ Landscaping,
  - ✓ Site amenities (planters, seating, bicycle racks, etc.)
  - ✓ Materials palette (hardscape, softscape, and site amenities)
- Prepare 3d renderings (assume 3 total views) that illustrate the design concepts in three-dimension.
- **Task 8 / Preliminary Opinion of Probable Construction Cost**
  - Prepare a Preliminary Opinion of Probable Construction Cost (OPCC) for one block of Madison Street. Opinion will include detailed line items for those items that can be identified at this stage of design.
- **Task 9 / Schematic Design Plan and OPCC Review (Meeting #4)**
  - Meet with Client and CAG to review Schematic Design Plan and OPCC. Purpose of meeting is to give directions to any final revisions to Schematic Design Plan for one block of Madison Street.
  - If necessary, revise Schematic Design Plan based on feedback from Meeting #4.

## FINAL REPORT /

- **Task 10 / Vision Book**
  - Consolidate information, plans, renderings, and cost opinions from Planning Phase and Preliminary Design into a graphically driven Vision Book. The Vision Book will be 11 x 17 or 8.5 x 11 and suitable for grant application and funding purposes. Farnsworth Group will provide Client with 10 color printed and bound copies, along with a digital .pdf.
- **Task 11 / Next Steps (Meeting #5)**
  - Meet with Client and CAG for page turn review of Vision Book and to discuss next steps, including potential grant/funding opportunities. Purpose of meeting is to outline next steps for project implementation.

## *End of Services*

## MAIN POINT OF CONTACT /

The Main Points of Contact with Farnsworth Group for this project will be:

Joe Russow, PE  
 Project Engineer  
 Farnsworth Group, Inc.  
 815.844.5571 office  
[jrussow@f-w.com](mailto:jrussow@f-w.com)

Jeff Martin, PLA  
 Senior Urban & Community Planner  
 Farnsworth Group, Inc.  
 773.405.8827 Cell  
[jmartin@f-w.com](mailto:jmartin@f-w.com)

## PROFESSIONAL FEES /

Farnsworth Group proposes providing the services described for a total fixed fee of **\$63,650.00 (Sixty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Dollars and Zero Cents)**, plus normal reimbursable expenses including mileage and printing. Additional details regarding payment terms and related policies are included in the attached General Conditions.

### **Planning Phase**

Task 1 – 5 \$20,500 (*fixed fee*)

### **Preliminary Design**

Task 6 – 9 \$39,300 (*fixed fee*)

### **Final Report (Optional)**

Task 10 – 11 \$ 3,850 (*fixed fee*)

## PROJECT TIMELINE /

### **Planning Phase**

Task 1 – 5 June – August 2026

### **Preliminary Design**

Task 6 – 9 September – November 2026

### **Final Report**

Task 10 – 11 December 2026

## ASSUMPTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS /

The following assumptions and clarifications support the fees for this proposal.

### A. General

1. Significant delays in start date may require reassessing necessary services, schedule, and fees.
2. The number of meetings, site visits or travel included in this proposal are mentioned in the scope of services section. Additional meetings, site visits or travel may be requested on an hourly basis.
3. Readily available access to the project sites will be provided.
4. Client will assist in the selection of the Community Advisory Group (CAG) and will schedule the CAG meetings in coordination with Farnsworth Group.
5. Client will make available digital information (parcel lines, topographic surveys, plat maps, etc.) that may be beneficial for preparation of project base maps.

## ADDITIONAL SERVICES /

The following services are not included in the fees for this proposal, but may be relevant to the project and can be provided at your request for an additional fee:

- Preparation of plans not specifically defined by this agreement.
- Meetings and/or hearings not outlined above.
- Design development or construction document plans.
- Topographic and boundary surveys.
- Public engagement sessions.
- Grant applications.

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FARNSWORTH GROUP, INC.

CITY OF PONTIAC



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Signature

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Jeff Martin, PLA

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Senior Urban & Community Planner

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James B. Woolford

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Date

**Date:** May 14, 2026  
**Client:** City of Pontiac  
**Project:** Downtown Streetscape Planning & Preliminary Design

**Standard of Care:** Services performed by Farnsworth Group under the Agreement will be conducted in a manner consistent with that level of care and skill ordinarily exercised by members of the profession currently practicing under similar conditions. No other representation expressed or implied, and no warranty or guarantee, is included or intended in the Agreement, or in any report, opinion, document, or otherwise.

**Entire Agreement:** These General Conditions and the signed document to which they are attached constitute the entire Agreement between Client and Farnsworth Group and are referred to hereinafter collectively as the "Agreement". The Agreement supersedes all prior communications, understandings and agreements, whether written or oral. Both parties have participated fully in the preparation and revision of the Agreement, and each party and its counsel have reviewed the final document. Any rule of contract construction regarding ambiguities being construed against the drafting party shall not apply in the interpreting of the Agreement, including any Section Headings or Captions.

**Precedence:** All purchases of Services are expressly limited to and conditioned upon acceptance of this Agreement. The Agreement shall take precedence over any inconsistent or contradictory provisions contained in any proposal, contract, purchase order, requisition, notice to proceed, or like document regarding Farnsworth Group's services. Any additional or conflicting terms or conditions contained in any purchase order, statement of work, or other document issued by Client will not be binding upon Farnsworth Group and are expressly rejected by Farnsworth Group.

**Fee Schedule:** Where lump sum fees have been agreed to between the parties, they shall be so designated in the signed document attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof. Where fees are based upon hourly charges for services and costs incurred by Farnsworth Group, they shall be based upon the hourly fee schedule annually adopted by Farnsworth Group, as more fully set forth in a Schedule of Charges attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof. Farnsworth Group. Such fees in the initial year of the Agreement shall be those represented by said Schedule of Charges, and these fees will annually change at the beginning of each calendar year after the date of the Agreement.

**Opinions of Cost:** Farnsworth Group's opinions of probable Project cost or construction cost for the Project will be based solely upon its own experience with construction. Since Farnsworth Group has no control over the cost of labor, materials or equipment, or over a contractor's method of determining prices, or over competitive bidding or market conditions, Farnsworth Group cannot and does not guarantee that proposals, bids, or the construction cost will not vary from its opinions of probable cost. If Client wishes greater assurance as to the construction cost, Client should employ an independent cost estimator.

**Invoices:** Client will pay Farnsworth Group the fees set forth in the Agreement (the "Fees"). Charges for services will be billed at least as frequently as monthly, and at the completion of Project. Client shall compensate Farnsworth Group for any sales or value added taxes which apply to the services rendered under the Agreement or any amendment thereto. Client shall reimburse Farnsworth Group for the amount of such taxes in addition to the compensation due for services. Payment of invoices shall not be subject to any discounts or set-offs by Client unless agreed to in writing by Farnsworth Group. Invoices are delinquent if payment has not been received within thirty (30) days from date of invoice. Amounts outstanding more than thirty (30) days will accrue interest at the rate of 1.5% per month (compounded), or if lower, the maximum rate permitted by applicable law. Should a past due amount exceed sixty (60) days, Farnsworth Group shall have the right to suspend all Services, without liability of any kind to Client, until full payment is received. All time spent and expenses incurred (including attorney's fees) in connection with collection of any delinquent amount will be paid by Client to Farnsworth Group per Farnsworth Group's then current

Schedule of Charges. Client will reimburse Farnsworth Group at the rate of cost plus 10% for reasonable meals and travel expenses incurred in connection with travel requested by Client outside the metropolitan area in which the individual employee or contractor of Farnsworth Group normally works.

**Confidentiality:** Each party shall retain as confidential all information and data furnished to it by the other party which are designated in writing by such other party as confidential at the time of transmission and are obtained or acquired by the receiving party in connection with the Agreement, and said party shall not reveal such information to any third party. However, nothing herein is meant to preclude either disclosing and / or otherwise using information (i) when the information is actually known to the receiving party before being obtained or derived from the transmitting party; or (ii) when the information is generally available to the public without the receiving party's fault at any time before or after it is acquired from the transmitting party; or (iii) where the information is obtained or acquired in good faith at any time by the receiving party from a third party who has the same in good faith and who is not under any obligation to the transmitting party in respect thereof; or (iv) is required by law or court order to be disclosed.

**Compliance with Law:** In the performance of services to be provided hereunder, Farnsworth Group and Client agree to comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws and ordinances and applicable lawful governmental or quasi-governmental order, rules, and regulations.

**Modification to the Agreement:** Client or Farnsworth Group may, from time to time, request modifications or changes in the scope of services to be performed hereunder. Such changes, including any increase or decrease in the amount of Farnsworth Group's compensation, to which Client and Farnsworth Group mutually agree shall be incorporated in the Agreement by a written amendment to the Agreement.

**Notice:** All notices required or permitted under this Agreement must be written and will be deemed given and received (a) if by personal delivery, on the date of such delivery, (b) if by electronic mail, on the transmission date if sent before 4:00 pm U.S. central time on a business day or, in any other case, on the next business day, (c) if by nationally recognized overnight courier, on the next business day following deposit for next business day delivery, or (d) if by certified mail, return receipt requested with postage prepaid, on the third business day following deposit. Notice must be addressed at the address or electronic mail address shown below for, or such other address as may be designated by notice by such Party:

If to Client:  
James B. Woolford  
City Administrator  
City of Pontiac  
115 W. Howard St.  
Pontiac, IL 61764  
E-mail: jim.woolford@pontiac.org  
If to Farnsworth Group:  
Farnsworth Group, Inc.  
Attn: Joe Russow  
301 W Washington Street  
Pontiac, IL 61764  
E-mail: jrussow@f-w.com

With a copy (which will not constitute notice) to:  
Farnsworth Group, Inc.  
Attn: Michael Redington  
200 West College Avenue, Suite 301  
Normal, IL 61761  
E-mail: mredington@f-w.com

**Facsimile; PDF Signatures.** Execution and delivery of this Agreement by delivery of a facsimile or portable document format ("PDF") copy bearing the facsimile or PDF signature of any party hereto shall constitute a valid and binding execution and delivery of this Agreement by such party. Such facsimile and PDF copies shall constitute enforceable original documents.

**Force Majeure:** Obligations of either party under the Agreement, other than payment obligations, shall be suspended, and such party shall not be liable for damages or other remedies while such party is prevented from complying herewith, in whole or in part, due to contingencies beyond its reasonable control, including, but not limited to strikes, riots, war, fire, acts of God, injunction, compliance with any law, regulation, or order, whether valid or invalid, of the United States of America or any other governmental body or any instrumentality thereof, whether now existing or hereafter created, inability to secure materials or obtain necessary permits, provided, however, the party so prevented from complying with its obligations hereunder shall promptly notify the other party thereof.

**Assignment:** Client shall not transfer or assign any rights under or interest in the Agreement, without the written consent of Farnsworth Group.

**Dispute Resolution:** In an effort to resolve any conflicts that arise during the performance of professional services for the Project or following completion of the Project, Client and Farnsworth Group agree that all disputes shall first be negotiated between senior officers of Client and Farnsworth Group for up to thirty (30) days before being submitted to mediation. In the event negotiation and mediation are not successful, either Client or Farnsworth Group may seek a resolution in any state or federal court that has the required jurisdiction within 180 days of the conclusion of mediation.

**Timeliness of Performance:** Farnsworth Group will begin work under the Agreement upon receipt of a fully executed copy of the Agreement. Client and Farnsworth Group are aware that many factors outside Farnsworth Group's control may affect its ability to complete the services to be provided under the Agreement. Farnsworth Group will perform these services with reasonable diligence and expediency consistent with sound professional practices.

**Suspension:** Client or Farnsworth Group may suspend all or a portion of the work under the Agreement by notifying the other party in writing if unforeseen circumstances beyond control of Client or Farnsworth Group make normal progress of the work impossible. Farnsworth Group may suspend work in the event Client does not pay invoices when due, and Farnsworth Group shall have no liability whatsoever to Client, and Client agrees to make no claim for any delay or damage as a result of such suspension. The time for completion of the work shall be extended by the number of days work is suspended. If the period of suspension exceeds ninety (90) days, Farnsworth Group shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in compensation for start-up, accounting and management expenses.

**Termination:** If either party defaults in performing any of the terms or provisions of the Agreement, and continues in default for a period of fifteen (15) days after written notice thereof, the party not in default shall have the right to immediately terminate the Agreement. The non-defaulting party shall be entitled to all remedies under Illinois law at the time of breach, including, without limitation, the right to recover as an element of its damages, reasonable attorney's fees and court costs.

**Reuse of Documents:** All documents including reports, drawings, specifications, and electronic media prepared by Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant pursuant to the Agreement are instruments of its services for use solely with respect to this Project. Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant shall be deemed the authors and Clients of their respective instruments of service and shall retain all common law, statutory and other reserved rights, including copyrights. They are not intended or represented to be suitable for reuse by Client or others on extensions of the Project or on any other project. Any reuse without specific written verification or adaptation by Farnsworth Group will be at Client's sole risk, and without liability to Farnsworth Group, and Client shall indemnify and hold harmless Farnsworth Group or any subconsultant from all claims, damages, losses and expenses including court costs and attorney's fees arising out of or resulting therefrom. Any such verification or adaptation will entitle Farnsworth Group to further compensation at rates to be agreed upon by Client and Farnsworth Group.

**Subcontracting:** Farnsworth Group shall have the right to subcontract any part of the services and duties hereunder without the consent of Client.

**Third Party Beneficiaries:** Nothing contained in the Agreement shall create a

contractual relationship with or a cause of action in favor of a third party against either Client or Farnsworth Group, except as expressly provided herein. Farnsworth Group's services under the Agreement are being performed solely for Client's benefit, and no other party or entity shall have any claim against Farnsworth Group because of the Agreement; or the performance or nonperformance of services hereunder; or reliance upon any report or document prepared hereunder. Neither Farnsworth Group nor Client shall have any obligation to indemnify each other from third party claims, except as expressly provided herein. Client and Farnsworth Group agree to require a similar provision in all contracts with construction contractors and subconsultants, vendors, and other entities involved in the Project to carry out the intent of this provision.

**Right of Entry:** Client shall provide for Farnsworth Group's and / or any subconsultant's right to enter property owned by Client and / or others in order for Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant to fulfill the scope of services for this Project. Client understands that use of exploration equipment may unavoidably cause some damage, the correction of which is not part of the Agreement unless explicitly so provided.

**Recognition of Risk:** Client acknowledges and accepts the risk that: (1) data on site conditions such as geological, geotechnical, ground water and other substances and materials, can vary from those encountered at the times and locations where such data were obtained, and that this limitation on the available data can cause uncertainty with respect to the interpretation of conditions at Client's site; and (2) although necessary to perform the Agreement, commonly used exploration methods (e.g., drilling, borings or trench excavating) involve an inherent risk of contamination of previously uncontaminated soils and waters. Farnsworth Group's and / or any subconsultant's application of its present judgment will be subject to factors outlined in (1) and (2) above. Client waives any claim against Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant, and agrees to indemnify and hold Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant harmless from any claim or liability for injury or loss which may arise as a result of alleged contamination caused by any site exploration. Client further agrees to compensate Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant for any time spent or expenses incurred by Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant in defense of any such claim, in accordance with Farnsworth Group's and / or any subconsultant's prevailing fee schedule and expense reimbursement policy.

**Authority and Responsibility:** Client agrees that Farnsworth Group and any subconsultant shall not guarantee the work of any construction contractor or construction subconsultant, shall have no authority to stop work, shall have no supervision or control as to the work or persons doing the work, shall not have charge of the work, shall not be responsible for safety in, on, or about the job site, or have any control of the safety or adequacy of any equipment, building component, scaffolding, supports, forms, or other work aids.

#### **Electronic Files Transfer.**

(a) Farnsworth Group may prepare electronic files which contain machine-readable information or certain information for a project ("Project Files"). Client may request Project Files to facilitate Client's understanding of the project. The Parties recognize that the Project Files are subject to alteration, either intentionally or unintentionally, due to, among other causes, transmission, conversion, media degradation, software error or human error. The Parties further understand that the transfer of Project Files from the system and format used by Farnsworth Group to an alternate system or format cannot be accomplished without the introduction of anomalies and / or errors.

(b) Upon request, Farnsworth Group will supply Project Files to Client upon the express terms and conditions set forth herein:

(i) The Project Files may not be used for any purpose not related specifically to the Client's project. Use of these files for development of other projects; additions to the project, or duplication of the project at any location is expressly prohibited.

(ii) The Project Files are provided for information purposes only and are not intended as an end product. The Project Files may be a work in process, and Farnsworth Group is under no obligation to provide Client with any updated version(s) of the Project Files.

(iii) Client acknowledges and understands that the Project Files may not reflect all data contained in the contract documents, addenda, or other pertinent contract-related documents. Client acknowledges and understands that the Project Files

may contain data which is not included in the contract documents.

(c) **BIM Digital Files.** With regard to the transfer of Building Information Model (BIM) digital files, both Parties agree as follows:

(i) Farnsworth Group will provide only those BIM files created for Client's project. There is no representation the BIM files are comprehensive or comprise a complete model of the building.

(ii) The level of development of the model will be defined consistent with AIA Document G202-2013, as agreed by the parties. After reviewing and verifying the accuracy of the information contained within Farnsworth Group's BIM files, Client is authorized to develop its own model to a higher level of development for its own uses, but, in doing so, expressly agrees to assume all risks associated therewith.

**Utilities:** Client shall be responsible for designating the location of all utility lines and subterranean structures within the property line of the Project. Client agrees to waive any claim against Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant, and to indemnify and hold harmless from any claim or liability for injury or loss arising from Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant or other persons encountering utilities or other man-made objects that were not called to Farnsworth Group's attention or which were not properly located on documents furnished to Farnsworth Group. Client further agrees to compensate Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant for any time spent or expenses incurred by Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant in defense of any such claim, in accordance with Farnsworth Group's and / or any subconsultant's prevailing fee schedule and expense reimbursement policy.

**Samples:** All samples of any type (soil, rock, water, manufactured materials, biological, etc.) will be discarded sixty (60) days after submittal of Project deliverables. Upon Client's authorization, samples will be either delivered in accordance with Client's instructions or stored for an agreed charge.

**Discovery of Unanticipated Hazardous Substances or Pollutants:** Hazardous substances are those so defined by prevailing Federal, State, or Local laws. Pollutants mean any solid, liquid, gaseous, or thermal irritant or contaminant including smoke, vapor, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals and waste. Hazardous substances or pollutants may exist at a site where they would not reasonably be expected to be present. Client and Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant agree that the discovery of unanticipated hazardous substances or pollutants constitutes a "changed condition" mandating a renegotiation of the scope of services or termination of services. Client and Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant also agree that the discovery of unanticipated hazardous substances or pollutants will make it necessary for Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant to take immediate measures to protect human health and safety, and / or the environment. Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant agree to notify Client as soon as possible if unanticipated known or suspected hazardous substances or pollutants are encountered. Client encourages Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant to take any and all measures that in Farnsworth Group's and / or any subconsultant's professional opinion are justified to preserve and protect the health and safety of Farnsworth Group's and / or any subconsultant's personnel and the public, and / or the environment, and Client agrees to compensate Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant for the additional cost of such measures. In addition, Client waives any claim against Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant, and agrees to indemnify and hold Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant harmless from any claim or liability for injury or loss arising from the presence of unanticipated known or suspected hazardous substances or pollutants. Client also agrees to compensate Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant for any time spent and expenses incurred by Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant in defense of any such claim, with such compensation to be based upon Farnsworth Group's and / or any subconsultant's prevailing fee schedule and expense reimbursement policy. Further, Client recognizes that Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant has neither responsibility nor liability for the removal, handling, transportation, or disposal of asbestos containing materials, nor will Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant act as one who owns or operates an asbestos demolition or renovation activity, as defined in regulations under the Clean Air Act.

**Job Site:** Client agrees that services performed by Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant during construction will be limited to providing observation of the progress of the work and to address questions by Client's representative concerning conformance with the Contract Documents. This activity is not to be

interpreted as an inspection service, a construction supervision service, or guaranteeing the construction contractor's or construction subconsultant's performance. Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant will not be responsible for construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures, or for safety precautions and programs. Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant will not be responsible for construction contractor's or construction subconsultant's obligation to carry out the work according to the Contract Documents. Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant will not be considered an agent of Client and will not have authority to direct construction contractor's or construction subconsultant's work or to stop work.

**Shop Drawing Review:** Client agrees that Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant shall review shop drawings and / or submittals solely for their general conformance with Farnsworth Group's and / or any subconsultant's design concept and general conformance with information given in the Contract Documents. Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant shall not be responsible for any aspects of a shop drawing and / or submittal that affect or are affected by the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction, safety precautions and programs incidental thereto, all of which are the construction contractor's or construction subconsultant's responsibility. The construction contractor or construction subconsultant will be responsible for dimensions, lengths, elevations and quantities, which are to be confirmed and correlated at the jobsite, and for coordination of the work with that of all other trades. Client represents that the construction contractor and construction subconsultant shall be made aware by Client of the responsibility to review shop drawings and / or submittals and approve them in these respects before submitting them to Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant.

**LEED Certification and Energy Models:** Client agrees that Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant do not guarantee the LEED certification of any facility for which Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant provides commissioning, LEED consulting or energy modeling services. The techniques and specific requirements for energy models used to meet LEED criteria have limitations that result in energy usage predictions that may differ from actual energy usage. Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant will endeavor to model energy usage very closely to actual usage, but Client agrees that Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant will not be responsible or liable in any way for inaccurate budgets for energy use developed from the predictions of LEED-compliant energy models. LEED certification and the number of LEED points awarded for energy efficiency are solely the responsibility of the U.S. Green Building Council and Green Building Certification Institute.

**Environmental Site Assessments:** No Environmental Site Assessment can wholly eliminate uncertainty regarding the potential for Recognized Environmental Conditions in connection with a Subject Property. Performance of an Environmental Site Assessment is intended to reduce, but not eliminate, uncertainty regarding potential for Recognized Environmental Conditions in connection with a Subject Property. In order to conduct the Environmental Site Assessment, information will be obtained and reviewed from outside sources, potentially including, but not limited to, interview questionnaires, database searches, and historical records. Farnsworth Group is not be responsible for the quality, accuracy, and content of information from these sources. Any non-scope items provided in the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Report are provided at the discretion of the environmental professional for the benefit of Client. Inclusion of any non-scope finding(s) does not imply a review of any other non-scope items with the Environmental Site Assessment investigation or report. The Environmental Site Assessment report is prepared for the sole and exclusive use of Client. Farnsworth Group does not intend, without its written consent, for the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Report to be disseminated to anyone beside Client, or to be used or relied upon by anyone beside Client. Use of the report by any other person or entity is unauthorized and such use is at their sole risk.

**Consequential Damages:** Notwithstanding any other provision of the Agreement, and to the fullest extent permitted by law, neither Client nor Farnsworth Group, their respective officers, directors, partners, employees, contractors or subconsultants shall be liable to the other or shall make any claim for incidental, indirect, or consequential damages arising out of or connected in any way to the Project or Services performed under this Agreement. This mutual waiver of consequential damages shall include, but not be limited to, loss of use, loss of profit, loss of business, loss of income, loss of reputation and any other consequential damages that either party may have incurred from any cause of action including negligence,

strict liability, breach of contract and breach of strict and implied warranty. Both Client and Farnsworth Group shall require similar waivers of consequential damages protecting all the entities or persons named herein in all contracts and subcontracts with others involved in Project.

**Personal Liability:** It is intended by the parties to the Agreement that Farnsworth Group's services in connection with the Project shall not subject Farnsworth Group's individual employees, officers or directors to any personal legal exposure for the risks associated with this Project. Therefore, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, Client agrees that as Client's sole and exclusive remedy, any claim, demand, or suit shall be directed and / or asserted only against "Farnsworth Group, Inc., an Illinois corporation," and not against any of Farnsworth Group's individual employees, officers or directors.

**General Insurance and Limitation:** Farnsworth Group is covered by commercial general liability insurance, automobile liability insurance and workers compensation insurance with limits which Farnsworth Group considers reasonable. Certificates of all insurance shall be provided to Client upon request in writing. Within the limits and conditions of such insurance, Farnsworth Group agrees to indemnify and hold Client harmless from any loss, damage or liability arising directly from any negligent act by Farnsworth Group. Farnsworth Group shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or liability beyond the amounts, limits and conditions of such insurance. Farnsworth Group shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or liability arising from any act by Client, its agents, staff, other consultants, independent contractors, third parties or others working on the Project over which Farnsworth Group has no supervision or control. Notwithstanding the foregoing agreement to indemnify and hold harmless, the parties agree that Farnsworth Group has no duty to defend Client from and against any claims, causes of action or proceedings of any kind.

**Professional Liability Insurance and Limitation:** Farnsworth Group is covered by professional liability insurance for its professional acts, errors and omissions, with limits which Farnsworth Group considers reasonable. Certificates of insurance shall be provided to Client upon request in writing. Within the limits and conditions of such insurance, Farnsworth Group agrees to indemnify and hold Client harmless from loss, damage or liability arising from errors or omissions by Farnsworth Group that exceed the industry standard of care for the services provided. Farnsworth Group shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or liability beyond the amounts, limits and conditions of such insurance. Farnsworth Group shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or liability arising from any act, error or omission by Client, its agents, staff, other consultants, independent contractors, third parties or others working on the Project over which Farnsworth Group has no supervision or control. Notwithstanding the foregoing agreement to indemnify and hold harmless, the parties agree that Farnsworth Group has no duty to defend Client from and against any claims, causes of action or proceedings of any kind.

**ADDITIONAL LIMITATION:** IN RECOGNITION OF THE RELATIVE RISKS AND BENEFITS OF THE PROJECT TO BOTH CLIENT AND FARNSWORTH GROUP, THE RISKS HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED SUCH THAT CLIENT AGREES THAT FOR THE COMPENSATION HEREIN PROVIDED, FARNSWORTH GROUP CANNOT EXPOSE ITSELF TO DAMAGES DISPROPORTIONATE TO THE NATURE AND SCOPE OF FARNSWORTH GROUP'S SERVICES OR THE COMPENSATION PAYABLE TO IT HEREUNDER. THEREFORE, TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, CLIENT AGREES THAT THE LIABILITY OF FARNSWORTH GROUP TO CLIENT FOR ANY AND ALL CAUSES OF ACTION, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, CONTRIBUTION, ASSERTED BY CLIENT AND ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE NEGLIGENT ACTS, ERRORS OR OMISSIONS OF FARNSWORTH GROUP IN PERFORMING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES SHALL BE LIMITED TO TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$250,000) OR THE TOTAL FEES PAID TO FARNSWORTH GROUP BY CLIENT UNDER THE AGREEMENT, WHICHEVER IS GREATER ("LIMITATION"). CLIENT HEREBY WAIVES AND RELEASES (I) ALL PRESENT AND FUTURE CLAIMS AGAINST FARNSWORTH GROUP, OTHER THAN THOSE DESCRIBED IN THE PREVIOUS SENTENCE, AND (II) ANY LIABILITY OF FARNSWORTH GROUP IN EXCESS OF THE LIMITATION. IN CONSIDERATION OF THE PROMISES CONTAINED HEREIN AND FOR OTHER SEPARATE, VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, THE RECEIPT AND SUFFICIENCY OF WHICH ARE HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGED, CLIENT ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT (I) BUT FOR THE LIMITATION, FARNSWORTH GROUP WOULD NOT HAVE PERFORMED THE SERVICES, (II) CLIENT HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO NEGOTIATE THE TERMS OF THE LIMITATION AS PART OF

AN "ARMS-LENGTH" TRANSACTION, (III) THE LIMITATION AMOUNT MAY BE LESS THAN THE AMOUNT OF PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE REQUIRED OF FARNSWORTH GROUP UNDER THE AGREEMENT, (IV) THE LIMITATION IS MERELY A LIMITATION OF, AND NOT AN EXCULPATION FROM, FARNSWORTH GROUP'S LIABILITY AND DOES NOT IN ANY WAY OBLIGATE CLIENT TO DEFEND, INDEMNIFY OR HOLD HARMLESS FARNSWORTH GROUP, (V) THE LIMITATION IS AN AGREED REMEDY, AND (VI) THE LIMITATION AMOUNT IS NEITHER NOMINAL NOR A DISINCENTIVE TO FARNSWORTH GROUP PERFORMING THE SERVICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STANDARD OF CARE.

**Subpoenas:** Client is responsible, after notification, for payment of time charges and expenses resulting from the required response by Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant to subpoenas issued by any party other than Farnsworth Group and / or any subconsultant in conjunction with the services performed under the Agreement. Charges are based on fee schedules in effect at the time the subpoena is served.

**Statutes of Repose and Limitation:** All legal causes of action between the parties to the Agreement shall accrue and any applicable statutes of repose or limitation shall begin to run not later than the date of Substantial Completion. If the act or failure to act complained of occurs after the date of Substantial Completion, then the date of final completion shall be used, but in no event shall any statute of repose or limitation begin to run any later than the date Farnsworth Group's services are completed or terminated.

**Severability:** If any term or provision of the Agreement is held to be invalid or unenforceable under any applicable statute or rule of law, such holding shall be applied only to the provision so held, and the remainder of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

**Waiver:** No waiver by either party of any breach, default, or violation of any term, warranty, representation, agreement, covenant, condition, or provision hereof shall constitute a waiver of any subsequent breach, default, or violation of the same or any other term, warranty, representation, agreement, covenant, condition, or provision hereof. All waivers must be in writing.

**Survival:** Notwithstanding completion or termination of the Agreement for any reason, all rights, duties, obligations of the parties to the Agreement shall survive such completion or termination and remain in full force and effect until fulfilled.

**Governing Law:** The Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted pursuant to the laws of the State of Illinois without regard to conflict of law principles.