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# SUGGESTED FORM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND CONTRACTOR FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT (STIPULATED PRICE)

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#### Introduction

This Suggested Form of Agreement between Owner and Contractor for Construction Contract (Stipulated Price) ("Agreement") has been prepared for use with the Guide to the Preparation of Instructions to Bidders ("Instructions")(C -200, 2002 Edition) and with the Standard General Conditions of the Construction Contract ("General Conditions")(C -700, 2002 Edition). Their provisions are interrelated, and a change in one may necessitate a change in the others. For guidance in the preparation of Supplementary Conditions and coordination with Instructions to Bidders, see Guide to the Preparation of Supplementary Conditions ("Supplementary Conditions")(C-800, 2002 Edition). See also Suggested Bid Form ("Bid Form") (C-410, 2002 Edition). The EJCDC has not prepared a suggested form of Advertisement or Invitation to Bid because such documents will vary widely to conform to statutory requirements.

This form and the other Bidding Documents prepared and issued by the EJCDC assume acceptance of the Project Manual concept of the Construction Specifications Institute which provides for an organizational format for location of all bound documentary information for a construction project, namely: Bidding Requirements (which term refers to the Advertisement or Invitation to Bid, the Instructions, and any Bid Form that may be suggested or prescribed, all of which provide information and guidance for all Bidders) and the Contract Documents (defined in Article 1 of the General Conditions), which include the Agreement, bonds and certificates, the General Conditions, the Supplementary Conditions, the Drawings, and the Specifications. The Bidding Requirements are not considered part of the Contract Documents because much of their substance pertains to the relationships prior to the award of the Contract and has little effect or impact thereafter and bec ause many contracts are awarded without going through the bidding process. In some cases, however, the actual Bid may be attached as an exhibit to the Agreement to avoid extensive retyping. (The terms "Bidding Documents" and "Bidding Requirements" are defined in Article 1 of the General Conditions.) The Project Manual concept is explained in the Manual of Practice issued by the Construction Specifications Institute.

Suggested language is presented herein with "Notes to User" to assist in preparing the Agreement. Much of the language should be usable on most projects, but modifications and additional provisions will often be necessary. The suggested language has been coordinated with the other standard forms produced by the EJCDC. When modifying the suggested language or writing additional provisions, the user must check the other documents thoroughly for conflicts and coordination of language usage and make appropriate revisions in all affected documents.

Refer to the discussions in EJCDC's Recommended Competitive Bidding Procedures for Construction Projects ("Bidding Procedures") (No. 1910-9-D, 1987 Edition) (to be reissued in 2002) on the particular paragraphs of which frequent reference is made below.

For brevity, paragraphs of the Instructions to Bidders are referenced with the prefix "I," those of the Bid Form are referenced with the prefix "BF," and those of this Agreement are referenced with the prefix "A."

# **NOTES:**

1. EJCDC publications may be ordered from:

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# EJCDC SUGGESTED FORM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND CONTRACTOR FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT (STIPULATED PRICE)

THIS AGREEMENT is by and between County of Wilkes/Wilkes County Library (Owner) and Cubic Inc. (Contractor).

Owner and Contractor, in consideration of the mutual covenants set forth herein, agree as follows:

# ARTICLE 1 - WORK

1.01 Contractor shall complete all Work as specified or indicated in the Contract Documents. The Work is generally described as follows:

Wilkes County Library Upper Floor Remodel.

#### ARTICLE 2 - THE PROJECT

2.01 The Project for which the Work under the Contract Documents may be the whole or only a part is generally described as follows:

These renovations include adding 2 walls to an existing office to create an 8'x9' ADA restroom on the upper floor. Creating a bookshelf at the 10th Street entrance 45" tall and 142" in length, stained to preference. Expanding the existing storage space by 4'6" at the front desk to create an additional 54sqft of storage space. Create 2 glass rooms for an 18'x22' conference room and a 10'x19' Teen Area. A stage elevated 7" off the existing floor approximately 18'x9' with a side storage area. Two new 8'x8' study rooms. As well as changing the lights located in the skylight and changing out 10 pendants for LED recessed can lights. The lighting number includes a \$500 allowance for skylight fixtures and a \$50 allowance per recessed can fixture. This will also include painting all existing walls on the upper floor.

#### ARTICLE 3 - ENGINEER

3.01 The Project has been designed by N/A

### ARTICLE 4 - CONTRACT TIMES

- 4.01 Time of the Essence
  - A. All time limits for Milestones, if any, Substantial Completion, and completion and readiness for final payment as stated in the Contract Documents are of the essence of the Contract.
- 4.02 Days to Achieve Substantial Completion and Final Payment
- A. The work will be substantially completed within \_\_ days after the date when the Contract Times commence to run as provided in Paragraph 2.03 of the General Conditions, and completed and ready for final payment in accordance with Paragraph 14.07 of the General Conditions within \_\_ days after the date when the Contract Times commence to run.
- 4.03 Liquidated Damages
- A. Contractor and Owner recognize that time is of the essence of this Agreement and that Owner will suffer financial loss if the Work is not completed within the times specified in Paragraph 4.02 above, plus any extensions thereof allowed in accordance with Article 12 of the General Conditions. The parties also recognize the delays, expense, and difficulties involved in proving in a legal or arbitration proceeding the actual loss suffered by Owner if the Work is not completed on time. Accordingly, instead of requiring any such proof, Owner and Contractor agree that as liquidated damages for delay (but not as a penalty), Contractor shall pay Owner \$0 for each day that expires after the time specified in Paragraph 4.02 for Substantial Completion until the Work is substantially complete. After Substantial Completion, if Contractor shall neglect,

refuse, or fail to complete the remaining Work within the Contract Time or any proper extension thereof granted by Owner, Contractor shall pay Owner \$0 for each day that expires after the time specified in Paragraph 4.02 for completion and readiness for final payment until the Work is completed and ready for final payment.

#### NOTES TO USER

1. Where failure to reach a Milestone on time is of such consequence that the assessment of liquidated damages for failure to reach one or more Milestones on time is to be provided, appropriate amending or supplementing language should be inserted here.

#### ARTICLE 5 - CONTRACT PRICE

- 5.01 Owner shall pay Contractor for completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents an amount in current funds equal to the sum of the amounts determined pursuant to Paragraphs 5.01.A, 5.01.B, and 5.01.C below:
  - A. For all Work other than Unit Price Work, a Lump Sum of:

Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Two Dollars	(\$216,382)
(words)	(numerals)

All specific cash allowances are included in the above price and have been computed in accordance with paragraph 11.02 of the General Conditions.

B. For all Unit Price Work, an amount equal to the sum of the established unit price for each separately identified item of Unit Price Work times the estimated quantity of that item as indicated in this paragraph 5.01.B:

As provided in Paragraph 11.03 of the General Conditions, estimated quantities are not guaranteed, and determinations of actual quantities and classifications are to be made by Engineer as provided in Paragraph 9.07 of the General Conditions. Unit prices have been computed as provided in Paragraph 11.03 of the General Conditions.

<u>Item</u> <u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	UNIT PRICE WORK <u>Unit</u>	Estimated <u>Quantity</u>	Unit Price	<u>Estimated</u>
	TOTAL OF ALL ESTIMATED PRIC		(words)		\$ (numerals)
C.	For all Work, at the prices stated in Contrac	tor's Bid, attached hereto	as an exhibit.		
	1. If adjustment prices for variations fr appropriate provisions. See BF-4.	NOTES TO USER com stipulated Base Bid	quantities ha	ve been agree	d to, insert
	2. Depending upon the particular Bid F 5.01.B alone, or A-5.01.C alone, dele used, Contractor's Bid is attached as a	ting those not used and	renumbering a		
ARTI	CLE 6 - PAYMENT PROCEDURES				
6.01	Submittal and Processing of Payments				
	Contractor shall submit Applications for eations for Payment will be processed by Eng				eneral Conditions.
6.02	Progress Payments; Retainage				
6.02.A of the	Owner shall make progress payments on accept on or about the 1st day of each month A.2 below. All such payments will be measu General Conditions (and in the case of Unit schedule of values, as provided in the General	during performance of th red by the schedule of val Price Work based on the r	e Work as pro lues establishe	vided in Paragr d as provided in	raphs 6.02.A.1 and Paragraph 2.07.A
or (	1. Prior to Substantial Completion, progressive but, in each case, less the aggregate of pay Owner may withhold, including but not limiteral Conditions:	ments previously made ar	nd less such am	ounts as Engin	eer may determine
	a percent of Work completed completed as determined by Engineer, and and Engineer, Owner, on recommendation the Work remain satisfactory to them, there	if the character and progre of Engineer, may determi	ess of the Worl	k have been sat	isfactory to Owner
	b percent of cost of material retainage).	s and equipment not inc	orporated in t	he Work (with	the balance being
14.0	2. Upon Substantial Completion, Owner s percent of the Work completed, less su 02.B.5 of the General Conditions and less	ch amounts as Engineer	shall determin	ne in accordan	ce with Paragraph

corrected as shown on the tentative list of items to be completed or corrected attached to the certificate of Substantial Completion.

# 6.03 Final Payment

A. Upon final completion and acceptance of the Work in accordance with Paragraph 14.07 of the General Conditions, Owner shall pay the remainder of the Contract Price as recommended by Engineer as provided in said Paragraph 14.07.

#### ARTICLE 7 - INTEREST

7.01 All moneys not paid when due as provided in Article 14 of the General Conditions shall bear interest at the rate of 10% percent per annum.

#### ARTICLE 8 - CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIONS

- 8.01 In order to induce Owner to enter into this Agreement Contractor makes the following representations:
- A. Contractor has examined and carefully studied the Contract Documents and the other related data identified in the Bidding Documents.
- B. Contractor has visited the Site and become familiar with and is satisfied as to the general, local, and Site conditions that may affect cost, progress, and performance of the Work.
- C. Contractor is familiar with and is satisfied as to all federal, state, and local Laws and Regulations that may affect cost, progress, and performance of the Work.
- D. Contractor has carefully studied all: (1) reports of explorations and tests of subsurface conditions at or contiguous to the Site and all drawings of physical conditions in or relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at or contiguous to the Site (except Underground Facilities) which have been identified in the Supplementary Conditions as provided in Paragraph 4.02 of the General Conditions and (2) reports and drawings of a Hazardous Environmental Condition, if any, at the Site which has been identified in the Supplementary Conditions as provided in Paragraph 4.06 of the General Conditions.

# NOTES TO USER

1. If the reports and/or drawings referred to in A-8.01.D do not exist, either modify A-8.01.D or delete A-8.01.D and renumber accordingly.

E. Contractor has obtained and carefully studied (or assumes responsibility for doing so) all additional or supplementary examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies, and data concerning conditions (surface, subsurface, and Underground Facilities) at or contiguous to the Site which may affect cost, progress, or performance of the Work or which relate to any aspect of the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction to be employed by Contractor, including any specific means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction expressly required by the Bidding Documents, and safety precautions and programs incident thereto.

# NOTES TO USER

- 1. If the reports and/or drawings referred to in A-8.01.D do not exist, delete the phrase "additional or supplementary" in the first sentence of A-8.01.E.
- F. Contractor does not consider that any further examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies, or data are necessary for the performance of the Work at the Contract Price, within the Contract Times, and in accordance with the other terms and conditions of the Contract Documents.
- G. Contractor is aware of the general nature of work to be performed by Owner and others at the Site that relates to the Work as indicated in the Contract Documents.
- H. Contractor has correlated the information known to Contractor, information and observations obtained from visits to the Site, reports and drawings identified in the Contract Documents, and all additional examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies, and data with the Contract Documents.
- I. Contractor has given Engineer written notice of all conflicts, errors, ambiguities, or discrepancies that Contractor has discovered in the Contract Documents, and the written resolution thereof by Engineer is acceptable to Contractor.
- J. The Contract Documents are generally sufficient to indicate and convey understanding of all terms and conditions for performance and furnishing of the Work.

#### ARTICLE 9 - CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

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A.	The Contract Documents consist of the following:				
	1.	This Agreement (pages 1 to, inclusive).			
	2.	Performance bond (pagesto, inclusive).			
	3.	Payment bond (pagesto, inclusive).			
	4.	Other bonds (pages to, inclusive).			
		a (pages to, inclusive).			
		b (pages to, inclusive).			
		c (pages to, inclusive).			
	5.	General Conditions (pages to, inclusive).			
	6.	Supplementary Conditions (pages to, inclusive).			

Specifications as listed in the table of contents of the Project Manual.

8. Drawings consisting of sheets with each sheet bearing the following general title: [or] the Drawing listed on attached sheet index.
9. Addenda (numbers to, inclusive).
10. Exhibits to this Agreement (enumerated as follows):
a. Contractor's Bid (pages to, inclusive).
b. Documentation submitted by Contractor prior to Notice of Award (pagesto, inclusive).
c
11. The following which may be delivered or issued on or after the Effective Date of the Agreement and are no attached hereto:
a. Notice to Proceed (pages to, inclusive).
b. Work Change Directives.
c. Change Order(s).
B. The documents listed in Paragraph 9.01.A are attached to this Agreement (except as expressly noted otherwise above
C. There are no Contract Documents other than those listed above in this Article 9.
D. The Contract Documents may only be amended, modified, or supplemented as provided in Paragraph 3.04 of th General Conditions.
ARTICLE 10 - MISCELLANEOUS
10.01 Terms
A. Terms used in this Agreement will have the meanings stated in the General Conditions and the Supplementar Conditions.
10.02 Assignment of Contract
A. No assignment by a party hereto of any rights under or interests in the Contract will be binding on another party heret without the written consent of the party sought to be bound; and, specifically but without limitation, moneys that ma become due and moneys that are due may not be assigned without such consent (except to the extent that the effect of the extriction may be limited by law), and unless specifically stated to the contrary in any written consent to an assignment, n assignment will release or discharge the assignor from any duty or responsibility under the Contract Documents.
10.03 Successors and Assigns
A. Owner and Contractor each binds itself, its partners, successors, assigns, and legal representatives to the other partnereto, its partners, successors, assigns, and legal representatives in respect to all covenants, agreements, and obligation contained in the Contract Documents.
10.04 Severability
A. Any provision or part of the Contract Documents held to be void or unenforceable under any Law or Regulation shape deemed stricken, and all remaining provisions shall continue to be valid and binding upon Owner and Contractor, whagree that the Contract Documents shall be reformed to replace such stricken provision or part thereof with a valid an enforceable provision that comes as close as possible to expressing the intention of the stricken provision.

10.05

Other Provisions

# NOTES TO USER

- 1. If Owner intends to assign a procurement contract (for goods and services) to the Contractor, see Notes to User at Article 23 of Suggested Instructions to Bidders for Procurement Contracts (EJCDC No. P-200, 2000 Edition) for provisions to be inserted in this Article.
- 2. Insert other provisions here if applicable.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Owner and Contractor have signed this Agreement in duplicate. One counterpart each has been delivered to Owner and Contractor. All portions of the Contract Documents have been signed or identified by Owner and Contractor or on their behalf.

NOTES TO USER

1. See I-21 and correlate procedures for format and signing between the two documents.

This Agreement will be effective on, (which is the	e Effective Date of the Agreement).
OWNER:	CONTRACTOR:
County of Wilkes/Wilkes County Library	Cubic, Inc.
Ву:	By:
Title:	Title:
[CORPORATE SEAL]	[CORPORATE SEAL]
Attest:	Attest:
Title:	Title:
Address for giving notices:	Address for giving notices:
Wilkes County Library	Cubic, Inc.
215 10 <sup>th</sup> Street	1505 West D Street
North Wilkesboro, NC 28659	North Wilkesboro, NC 28659
(If Owner is a corporation, attach evidence of authority to sign. If Owner is a public body, attach evidence of authority to sign and resolution or other documents authorizing execution of Owner-Contractor Agreement.)	License No.:  (Where applicable)  Agent for service or process:
	(If Contractor is a corporation or a partnership, attach evidence of authority to sign.)