CITY OF NORTH MIAMI
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
(Citywide Rehabilitation of the Sanitary Sewer System – IFB No. 38-18-19)

Group D – Lateral Lining and Mainline Sectional Lining

This professional services agreement (“Agreement”) is made and entered into on _______________ by and between the City of North Miami, a Florida municipal corporation, having its principal office at 776 NE 125th Street, North Miami, FL 33161 (“City”) and National Water Main Cleaning Co., a for-profit corporation registered and authorized to do business in the State of Florida, having its principal office at 1806 Newark Turnpike, Kearny, NJ 07032 (“Contractor”). The City and Contractor shall collectively be referred to as the “Parties”, and each may individually be referred to as a “Party”.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, on September 17, 2019, the City of North Miami (“City”) advertised Invitation for Bid No. – 38-18-19 – Citywide Rehabilitation of the Sanitary Sewer System (“IFB”), requesting bids from qualified and experienced vendors to furnish all labor, equipment, materials, and expertise needed for the repair and rehabilitation of Sanitary Sewer Lines, Manholes, and Laterals within the service limits of the City, in accordance with the design, specifications, and conditions contained within the IFB (collectively referred hereto as “Services”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the IFB, the citywide sanitary sewer rehabilitation project was divided into four (4) main categories: Group A – Excavated Point Repairs, Group B – Manhole Repairs, Group C – Mainline Pipe Lining, Group D – Lateral Lining and Mainline Sectional Lining; and

WHEREAS, in response to the IFB, National Water Main Cleaning Co., (“Contractor”) submitted its bid and was competitively selected by City administration as the lowest responsive-responsible bidder, with qualifications and references demonstrating to be the most advantageous to the City in the provision of Services for Group D; and

WHEREAS, on February 25, 2020, the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, adopted Resolution No. 2020-R-34 approving the selection of Contractor for provision of Services; and

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual terms and conditions set forth herein and other good and valuable consideration, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 - RECITALS

1.1 The recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Agreement.
ARTICLE 2 - CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

2.1 The following documents, collectively referred to as the "Contract Documents", are incorporated into and made part of this Agreement:

2.1.1 Invitation for Bid No. 38-18-19 – Citywide Rehabilitation of the Sanitary Sewer System, attached hereto by reference;

2.1.2 Contractor’s response to the IFB, (“Bid”), attached hereto as “Exhibit A”;

2.1.3 Any additional documents which are required to be submitted in the provision of Services.

ARTICLE 3 – TIME FOR PERFORMANCE

3.1 Subject to authorized adjustments, the Time for Performance shall be the period of time not to exceed three hundred sixty-five (365) Days following the City’s issuance of its Notice to Proceed to Consultant, which shall constitute the guaranteed time upon which Consultant is to complete the Project in accordance with the terms, conditions and specifications contained in this Agreement, unless terminated earlier by the City. Consultant agrees that the performance of Services shall be pursued on schedule, diligently and uninterrupted at a rate of progress which will ensure full completion within the agreed time for performance. Failure to achieve timely final completion shall be regarded as a material breach of this Agreement and shall be subject to the appropriate remedies available at law. This Agreement shall remain in full force and effect until the completion of Services by the Consultant and the acceptance of Services by the City.

3.2 Minor adjustments to the Time for Performance which are approved in writing by the City in advance, shall not constitute non-performance by Consultant. Any impact on the time for performance shall be determined and the time schedule for completion of Services will be modified accordingly.

3.3 When, in the opinion of the City, reasonable grounds for uncertainty exist with respect to the Contractor’s ability to perform Services or any portion thereof, the City may request that the Contractor, within a reasonable time frame set forth in the City’s request, provide adequate assurances to the City in writing, of Contractor’s ability to perform in accordance with terms of this Agreement. In the event that the Contractor fails to provide the City the requested assurances within the prescribed time frame, the City may treat such failure as a repudiation or breach of this Agreement, and resort to any remedy for breach provided for in this Agreement or at law.

ARTICLE 4 – COMPENSATION

4.1 The City agrees to pay Contractor an amount not to exceed Four Hundred Seventy-One Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Dollars ($471,920.00). Funding for this Agreement is contingent on the availability of funds and the Agreement is subject to amendment or termination due to lack of funds or a reduction of funds, upon ten (10) days written notice to Contractor.
4.2 Contractor’s price list shall remain fixed for the duration of the Initial Term and for subsequent renewals.

4.3 The City shall pay Contractor within forty-five (45) days of receipt of invoice the total shown to be due on such invoice, provided the City has accepted the Services.

**ARTICLE 5 - SCOPE OF SERVICES**

5.1 Contractor shall provide all labor, supervision, materials, equipment, tools, services and expertise necessary for the completion of Services, in accordance with the specifications, terms and conditions contained in the Contract Documents. Contractor shall perform the Services in accordance with that degree of care and skill ordinarily exercised by reputable members of its profession.

5.2 Contractor represents and warrants to the City that: (i) Contractor possesses all qualifications, licenses and expertise required for the provision of Services, with personnel fully licensed by the State of Florida; (ii) Contractor is not delinquent in the payment of any sums due the City, including payment of permit fees, local business taxes, or in the performance of any obligations to the City; (iii) all personnel assigned to perform work shall be, at all times during the term hereof, fully qualified and trained to perform the tasks assigned to each; (iv) the Services will be performed in the manner and at such times and locations as described by the City for the budgeted amount; and (v) the person executing this Agreement on behalf of Contractor is duly authorized to execute same and fully bind Contractor as a party to this Agreement.

5.3 Contractor agrees and understands that: (i) any and all subcontractors used by Contractor shall be paid by Contractor and not paid directly by the City; and (ii) any and all liabilities regarding payment to, or use of subcontractors for any of the work related to this Agreement, shall be borne solely by Contractor.

5.4 Contractor warrants that any and all work, materials, services or equipment that may reasonably be inferred from the Contract Documents as being required to produce the intended result, will be supplied by the Contractor at its own cost, whether or not specifically called for.

5.5 The Services shall be completed by the Contractor to the satisfaction of the City. The City shall make decisions on all claims regarding interpretation of the Agreement and on all other matters relating to the execution, progress and quality of the Services.

**ARTICLE 6 - CITY’S TERMINATION RIGHTS**

6.1 The City shall have the right to terminate this Agreement, in its sole discretion at any time, with or without cause, upon ten (10) days written notice to Contractor. In such event, the City shall pay Contractor compensation for Services rendered prior to the effective date of termination. The City shall not be liable to Contractor for any additional compensation, or for any consequential or incidental damages.

**ARTICLE 7 - INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

7.1 Contractor has been procured and is being engaged by the City as an independent contractor, and not as an agent or employee of the City. Accordingly, Contractor shall not attain,
nor be entitled to, any rights or benefits under the Civil Service or Pension Ordinances of the City, nor any rights generally afforded classified or unclassified employees of the City. Contractor further understands that Florida workers’ compensation benefits available to employees of the City, are not available to Contractor. Therefore, Contractor agrees to provide workers’ compensation insurance for any employee or agent of Contractor rendering services to the City under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 8 - CONFLICTS OF INTEREST
8.1 The Contractor represents and warrants to the City that it has not employed or retained any person or company employed by the City to solicit or secure this Agreement and that it has not offered to pay, paid, or agreed to pay any person any fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, or gift of any kind contingent upon or in connection with, the award of this Agreement.

8.2 Contractor covenants that no person under its employ who presently exercises any functions or responsibilities on behalf of the City in connection with this Agreement has any personal financial interest, directly or indirectly with Contractor. Contractor further covenants that, in the performance of this Agreement, no person having such conflicting interest shall be employed.

ARTICLE 9 - DEFAULT
9.1 If Contractor fails to comply with any term or condition of this Agreement, or fails to perform any of its obligations hereunder, then Contractor shall be in default. The City shall have the right to terminate this Agreement, in the event Contractor fails to cure a default within ten (10) business days after receiving Notice of Default. Contractor understands and agrees that termination of this Agreement under this section shall not release Contractor from any obligations accruing prior to the effective date of termination.

ARTICLE 10- NOTICES
10.1 All notices, demands, correspondence and communications between the City and Contractor shall be deemed sufficiently given under the terms of this Agreement when delivered by personal service, faxed, or dispatched by mail or certified mail, addressed as follows:

To Contractor: National Water Main Cleaning Co.
Attn: CT Corporation System, Registered Agent
1200 South Pine Island Road
Plantation, FL 33324

To City: City of North Miami
Attn: City Manager
776 N.E. 125th Street
North Miami, Florida 33161

With a copy to: City Attorney
City of North Miami
776 N.E. 125th Street
North Miami, Florida 33161
10.2 Either Party may at any time designate a different address and/or contact person by giving notice as provided above to the other Party. Such notices shall be deemed given upon receipt by the addressee.

10.3 In the event there is a change of address and the moving Party fails to provide notice to the other Party, then notice sent as provided in this Article shall constitute adequate notice.

**ARTICLE 11 - PUBLIC RECORDS**

11.1 Contractor understands that the public shall have access, at all reasonable times, to all documents and information pertaining to City contracts, subject to the provisions of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, and agrees to allow access by the City and the public to all documents subject to disclosure under applicable law.

11.2 The Contractor shall additionally comply with the provisions of Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, entitled “Contracts; public records”.

**ARTICLE 12 - INDEMNIFICATION**

12.1 Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City, its officers and employees from and against any and all claims, costs, losses and damages including, but not limited to reasonable attorney’s fees, caused by the negligent acts or omissions of the Contractor, its officers, directors, agents, partners, subcontractors, employees and managers in the performance of the Services under this Agreement.

12.2 The Contractor shall be fully responsible to City for all acts and omissions of the Contractor, its employees, subcontractors, suppliers, or other persons directly or indirectly employed by its subcontractors or suppliers, and any other persons or organizations performing or furnishing supplies under a direct or indirect agreement with Contractor. Nothing in the Contract Documents shall create any contractual relationship between City and any such subcontractor, supplier or other person or organization, nor shall it create any obligation on the part of City to pay or to cause the payment of any money due any subcontractor, supplier, employee or agent except as may otherwise be required by law.

12.3 Nothing contained in this Agreement is any way intended to be a waiver of the limitation placed upon the City’s liability as set forth in Chapter 768, Florida Statutes. Additionally, the City does not waive sovereign immunity, and no claim or award against the City shall include attorney’s fees, investigative costs or pre-judgment interest.

**ARTICLE 13 - INSURANCE**

13.1 Prior to commencing Services, the Contractor shall submit certificates of insurance evidencing the required coverage under the Contract Documents and specifically providing that the City is an additional named insured with respect to the required coverage and the operations of the Contractor under this Agreement. Contractor shall not commence Services under this Agreement until after Contractor has obtained all of the minimum insurance described and the policies of such insurance detailing the provisions of coverage have been received and approved by the City.
13.2 Contractor shall not permit any subcontractor to begin work until after similar minimum insurance to cover subcontractor has been obtained and approved. In the event the insurance certificate provided indicates that the insurance shall terminate and lapse during the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall furnish, at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to expiration of the date of the insurance, a renewed certificate of insurance as proof that equal and like coverage and extension is in effect. Contractor shall not continue to perform the Services required by this Agreement unless all required insurance remains in full force and effect.

13.3 All insurance policies required of the Contractor shall be written by a company with a Best's rating of B+ or better and duly authorized and licensed to do business in the State of Florida and be executed by duly licensed managers upon whom service of process may be made in Miami-Dade County, Florida. The City may accept coverage with carriers having lower Best's ratings upon review of financial information concerning Contractor and the insurance carrier.

ARTICLE 14 - FORCE MAJEURE

14.1 A “Force Majeure Event” shall mean an act of God, act of governmental body or military authority, fire, explosion, power failure, flood, storm, hurricane, sink hole, other natural disasters, epidemic, riot or civil disturbance, war or terrorism, sabotage, insurrection, blockade, or embargo. In the event that either Party is delayed in the performance of any act or obligation pursuant to or required by the Agreement by reason of a Force Majeure Event, the time for required completion of such act or obligation shall be extended by the number of days equal to the total number of days, if any, that such Party is actually delayed by such Force Majeure Event. The Party seeking delay in performance shall give notice to the other Party specifying the anticipated duration of the delay, and if such delay shall extend beyond the duration specified in such notice, additional notice shall be repeated no less than monthly so long as such delay due to a Force Majeure Event continues. Any Party seeking delay in performance due to a Force Majeure Event shall use its best efforts to rectify any condition causing such delay and shall cooperate with the other Party to overcome any delay that has resulted.

ARTICLE 15 - PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS

15.1 The Contractor is required to furnish to the City a Performance Bond and Payment Bond, each in the amount of One Hundred percent (100%) of the total Project value (“Bonds”). Such Bonds may be in the following form: 1) a Cashier’s Check, made payable to the City of North Miami; 2) Bonds written by a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Florida, in accordance with Section 255.05, Florida Statutes (2019); or 3) an Irrevocable Letter of Credit. If the latter is chosen, it must be written on a bank located in Miami-Dade County, be in the amount of the Agreement and should clearly and expressly state that it cannot be revoked until express written approval has been given by the City Manager. The City Manager, to draw on same, would merely have to give written notice to the bank with a copy to the Contractor.

15.2 The Performance Bond shall secure and guarantee Contractor’s faithful performance of this Agreement, including but not limited to Contractor’s obligation to correct defects after final payment has been made as required by the Contract Documents. The Payment Bond shall secure and guarantee payment of all Subcontractors performing labor on the Project under this Agreement and furnishing supplies, materials or services in connection herewith. These Bonds shall be in
effect through the duration of the Agreement plus the warranty period as required by the Contract Documents.

15.3 Each Bond shall be written by a corporate surety, having a resident agent in the State of Florida and having been in business with a record of successful continuous operation for at least five (5) years. The Bonds required hereunder shall be executed by a responsible surety licensed in the State of Florida, and have at least the following minimum qualification in accordance with the latest edition of A.M. Best's Insurance Guide, published by Alfred M. Best Company, Inc., Ambest Road, Oldwick, New Jersey 08858: B+ to A+. The Contractor shall require the attorney in fact who executes the required Bonds on behalf of the surety to affix thereto a certified and current copy of this power of attorney indicating the monetary limit of such power.

15.4 If the surety on any Bond furnished by Contractor is declared bankrupt or becomes insolvent or its right to do business is terminated in the State of Florida or it ceases to meet the requirements of other applicable laws or regulations, Contractor shall within three (3) Days substitute another Bond and surety, both of which must be acceptable to City Manager. If Contractor fails to make such substitution, City Manager may procure such required Bonds on behalf of Contractor at Contractor’s expense.

15.5 The City may, in the City's sole discretion, inform surety of the progress of the Work, any defects in the Work, or any defaults of Contractor under the Contract Documents and obtain consents as necessary to protect the City's rights, interest, privileges and benefits under and pursuant to any Bond issued in connection with the Project.

15.6 Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the City and any agents, employees, representative from and against any claims, expenses, losses, costs, including reasonable attorneys’ fees, as a result of any failure of Contractor to procure the Bonds required herein.

ARTICLE 16 – LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

16.1 It is mutually agreed by and between the Parties hereto that time shall be an essential part of this Agreement, and that in case of the failure on the part of the Contractor to achieve contractually scheduled completion of the milestones established in the Project schedule within the time specified and agreed upon, the City will be damaged thereby. The amount of said damages, inclusive of expenses for inspection(s), as well as additional personnel superintendence, and necessary traveling expenses, being difficult if not impossible of definite ascertainment and proof, it is hereby agreed that the amount of such damages shall be Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00) for each Day delayed in finishing the Project, in excess of the number of Days prescribed in Article 4. The Contractor hereby agrees that said sum shall be deducted from monies due Contractor under the Agreement, or if no money is due the Contractor, the Contractor hereby agrees to pay to the City as liquidated damages, and not by way of penalty, the amount of Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00) for each Day delayed in finishing the Project.

ARTICLE 17 – RETAINAGE

17.1 To ensure Contractor’s complete and satisfactory performance of its obligations hereunder, the City shall withhold an amount of up to ten percent (10%) of each payment request submitted
by Contractor. Each Invoice submitted by Contractor shall specify the amount of Retainage attributable to, and to be withheld from, amounts due under such Invoice.

17.2 Notwithstanding the above, at such time as the Project is deemed by the City to be at least fifty percent (50%) complete, the City shall reduce to five percent (5%) the amount of retainage withheld from each subsequent progress payment made to the Contractor. For purposes of this Article, the term “50-percent completion” has the meaning set forth in the Contract Documents or, if not defined in the Contract Documents the point at which the City has expended at least fifty percent (50%) of the total cost of the construction services purchased under the Contract, together with all costs associated with existing change orders and other additions or modifications to the Services provided for under the contract.

17.3 Release of any portion of retainage held by the City shall take place upon written request by the Contractor and in accordance with State of Florida statutory provisions. The final five percent (5%) of the total Project Budget shall only be released at the time of Final Payment following acceptance by the City of project completion, correction of all incomplete or defective work by the Contractor and satisfaction of any damages incurred by the City as a result of the Contractor’s failure to satisfactorily complete the work.

ARTICLE 18 - MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

18.1 No waiver or breach of any provision of this Agreement shall constitute a waiver of any subsequent breach of the same or any other provision hereof, and no waiver shall be effective unless made in writing.

18.2 All representations, indemnifications, warranties and guarantees made in, required by, or given in accordance with this Agreement, as well as all continuing obligations indicated in the Contract Documents, shall survive final payment, completion and acceptance of the Services and termination or completion of the Agreement.

18.3 Should any provision, paragraph, sentence, word or phrase contained in this Agreement be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal or otherwise unenforceable under the laws of the State of Florida, such provision, paragraph, sentence, word or phrase shall be deemed modified to the extent necessary in order to conform with such laws, or if not modifiable, then same shall be deemed severable, and in either event, the remaining terms and provisions of this Agreement shall remain unmodified and in full force and effect or limitation of its use.

18.4 Services shall not be subcontracted, transferred, conveyed, or assigned under this Agreement in whole or in part to any other person, firm or corporation without the prior written consent of the City.

18.5 The City is exempt from Federal Excise and State taxes. The applicable tax exemption number or certificate shall be made available upon request.
18.6 This Agreement constitutes the sole and entire agreement between the Parties. No modification or amendments hereto shall be binding on either Party unless in writing and signed by both Parties.

18.7 This Agreement shall be construed and enforced according to the laws of the State of Florida. Venue in any proceedings between the Parties shall be in Miami-Dade County, Florida.

18.8 The City reserves the right to audit the records of the Contractor covered by this Agreement at any time during the provision of Services and for a period of three years after final payment is made under this Agreement.

18.9 The Contractor agrees that it shall not discriminate as to race, sex, color, creed, national origin, or disability, in connection with its performance under this Agreement.

18.10 The professional Services to be provided by Contractor pursuant to this Agreement shall be non-exclusive, and nothing herein shall preclude the City from engaging other firms to perform Services.

18.11 This Agreement shall be binding upon the Parties herein, their heirs, executors, legal representatives, successors and assigns.

18.12 The Contractor agrees to comply with and observe all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations, codes and ordinances, as they may be amended from time to time.

18.13 All other terms and conditions set forth in the Contract Documents which have not been modified by this Agreement, shall remain in full force and effect.

18.14 In the event of any dispute arising under or related to this Agreement, the prevailing Party shall be entitled to recover all actual attorney fees, costs and expenses incurred by it in connection with that dispute and/or the enforcement of this Agreement, including all such actual attorney fees, costs and expenses at all judicial levels, including appeal, until such dispute is resolved with finality.

18.15 This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original but all of which, when taken together, shall constitute one and the same Agreement.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement by their respective proper officers duly authorized the day and year first written above.

ATTEST:

Corporate Secretary or Witness:

By: Irnesa Okanovic
Print Name: Irnesa Okanovic
Title: Contract Administrator
Date: 3/20/2020

ATTEST:

City of North Miami, a Florida municipal corporation: “City”

By: Vanessa Joseph, Esq.
City Clerk

By: Arthur H. Sorey, III
Interim City Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

By: Jeff P. H. Cazeau
City Attorney