



**City of Valdez
Agreement for Professional Services**

THIS AGREEMENT between the CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA, (“City”) and Kim Hutchinson, DBA Trust Consultants, is effective on the 20th day of January 2026.

All work under this agreement shall be referred to by the following:

**Contract No.: 2456
Cost Code: 001-5300-43200**

Consultant’s project manager under this agreement is Kim Hutchinson.

Consultant’s project manager may not be changed without the written consent of the City.

City’s project manager is Sheri Pierce.

ARTICLE 1. Scope of Work

1.1 The scope of work to be performed hereunder is more completely described in Appendix A which is incorporated herein by reference.

ARTICLE 2. Compensation

2.1 Compensation shall be paid in accordance with the Basis of Compensation Schedule attached hereto as Appendix B and incorporated herein by reference in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.

ARTICLE 3. Period of Performance

3.1 The term of this Agreement shall commence on January 1, 2026, and shall continue until December 31, 2026. The Agreement may be terminated with a 30-day written notice given by either party to the other.

ARTICLE 4. Subconsultants

4.1 The Consultant shall be responsible for the performance of all services required under this agreement.

ARTICLE 6. Appendices

5.1 The following appendices are attached to this agreement and incorporated herein:

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| <u>Appendix</u> | <u>Title</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------------|
| A | Scope of Work |
| B | Basis of Compensation |

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties to this presence have executed this CONTRACT in two (2) counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, in the year and day first mentioned above.

NAME OF COMPANY

CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA

APPROVED:

Authorized Signature

Dennis Fleming, Mayor

Printed name

Date:

Date:

ATTEST:

Title:

Sheri L. Pierce, MMC, City Clerk

FEDERAL ID #:

Date:

Mailing Address

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Brena, Bell & Walker, P.C.

City, State, Zip Code

Jake Staser, City Attorney

Date:



Appendix A

Scope of Work

BASIC SERVICES

The City retains Kim Hutchinson to serve as lobbyist for the City of Valdez during the regular and all special sessions of the Alaska Legislature in 2026, and throughout the calendar year 2026. Kim Hutchinson is authorized to represent the City in dealings with the Alaska Legislature, the Administration, and agencies of the State of Alaska and, shall solely represent the interests of the City in all such matters.

Kim Hutchinson shall immediately advise the City of any activity deemed to be critical to the City's interests and shall provide adequate notice of all such matters as may require a timely response by the City.

Kim Hutchinson shall communicate with the City Council on a semi-annual basis, either in person or via electronic communication unless it is deemed necessary to do so more often by the City.

It is understood and agreed, with respect to the services Mr. Hutchinson shall render pursuant to paragraph 1 above, he will perform such services exclusively as an independent contractor to, and not as agent or employee of, the City.

Appendix B

Basis of Compensation

On submission of invoices, the City shall pay to Kim Hutchinson dba Trust Consultants compensation as follows:

For all the services and undertaking hereunder during the term of this Agreement, the City shall pay to Kim Hutchinson dba Trust Consultants a retainer of \$60,000 payable in monthly installments of \$5,000 each, which shall be due prior to the beginning of each month for the term of this Agreement.

Total payments for professional services and other expenses under this agreement shall not exceed a total contract authorization of \$60,000.