

Item # 9

**City of Carson City  
Agenda Report**

**Date Submitted:** March 11, 2008

**Agenda Date Requested:** March 20, 2008

**Time Requested:** 5 minutes

**To:** Mayor and Supervisors

**From:** Purchasing & Contracts

**Subject Title:** Action to determine that Contract No. 0708-126 is a contract not required to be submitted for public bidding pursuant to NRS 354.624 and to approve Contract No. 0708-126 a request for auditing services and agreed upon procedures to be provided by Kafoury, Armstrong & Co. as the designated audit firm for FY 2007/2008 for a not to exceed amount of \$118,350 from the below designated funding sources as provided in FY 2008/2009

**Staff Summary:** NRS 354.624 authorizes the governing body to annually designate the auditor without requiring competitive bids.

**Type of Action Requested:** (check one)  
 Resolution  Ordinance  
 Formal Action/Motion  Other (Specify)

**Does This Action Require A Business Impact Statement:**  Yes  No

**Recommended Board Action:** I move to determine that Contract No. 0708-126 is a contract not required to be submitted for public bidding pursuant to NRS 354.624 and to approve Contract No. 0708-126 a request for auditing services and agreed upon procedures to be provided by Kafoury, Armstrong & Co. as the designated audit firm for FY 2007/2008 for a not to exceed amount of \$118,350 from the below designated funding sources as provided in FY 2008/2009

**Explanation for Recommended Board Action:** Staff is requesting the Board designate Kafoury, Armstrong & Co. auditor for FY 2007-2008. determine that Contract No. 0708-126 is a contract not required to be submitted for public bidding pursuant to NRS 354.624 and to approve Contract No. 0708-126 a request for auditing services and agreed upon procedures to be provided by Kafoury, Armstrong & Co. as the designated audit firm for FY 2007/2008 for a not to exceed amount of \$118,350 from the below designated funding sources as provided in FY 2008/2009

**NRS 354.624 Annual audit: Requirements; designation of auditor; scope and disposition; dissemination; prohibited provision in contract with auditor.**

1. Each local government shall provide for an annual audit of all of its financial statements. A local government may provide for more frequent audits as it deems necessary. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, each annual audit must be concluded and the report of the audit submitted to the governing body as provided in subsection 6 not later than 5 months after the close of the fiscal year for which the audit is conducted. An extension of this time may be granted by the Department of Taxation to any local government that submits an application for an extension to the Department. If the local government fails to

provide for an audit in accordance with the provisions of this section, the Department of Taxation shall cause the audit to be made at the expense of the local government. All audits must be conducted by a certified public accountant or by a partnership or professional corporation that is registered pursuant to chapter 628 of NRS.

2. The annual audit of a school district must:

(a) Be concluded and the report submitted to the board of trustees as provided in subsection 6 not later than 4 months after the close of the fiscal year for which the audit is conducted.

(b) If the school district has more than 150,000 pupils enrolled, include an audit of the expenditure by the school district of public money used:

(1) To design, construct or purchase new buildings for schools or related facilities;

(2) To enlarge, remodel or renovate existing buildings for schools or related facilities; and

(3) To acquire sites for building schools or related facilities, or other real property for purposes related to schools.

3. The governing body may, without requiring competitive bids, designate the auditor or firm annually. The auditor or firm must be designated, and notification of the auditor or firm designated must be sent to the Department of Taxation not later than 3 months before the close of the fiscal year for which the audit is to be made.

4. Each annual audit must cover the business of the local government during the full fiscal year. It must be a financial audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in the United States, including findings on compliance with statutes and regulations and an expression of opinion on the financial statements. The Department of Taxation shall prescribe the form of the financial statements, and the chart of accounts must be as nearly as possible the same as the chart that is used in the preparation and publication of the annual budget. The report of the audit must include:

(a) A schedule of all fees imposed by the local government which were subject to the provisions of NRS 354.5989;

(b) A comparison of the operations of the local government with the approved budget, including a statement from the auditor that indicates whether the governing body has taken action on the audit report for the prior year;

(c) If the local government is subject to the provisions of NRS 244.186, a report showing that the local government is in compliance with the provisions of paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 244.186; and

(d) If the local government is subject to the provisions of NRS 710.140 or 710.145, a report showing that the local government is in compliance with the provisions of those sections with regard to the facilities and property it maintains and the services it provides outside its territorial boundaries.

5. Each local government shall provide to its auditor:

(a) A statement indicating whether each of the following funds established by the local government is being used expressly for the purposes for which it was created, in the form required by NRS 354.6241:

(1) An enterprise fund.

(2) An internal service fund.

(3) A fiduciary fund.

(4) A self-insurance fund.

(5) A fund whose balance is required by law to be:

(I) Used only for a specific purpose other than the payment of compensation to a bargaining unit, as defined in NRS 288.028; or

(II) Carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year in any designated amount.

(b) A list and description of any property conveyed to a nonprofit organization pursuant to NRS 244.287 or 268.058.

(c) If the local government is subject to the provisions of NRS 244.186, a declaration indicating that the local government is in compliance with the provisions of paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NRS 244.186.

(d) If the local government is subject to the provisions of NRS 710.140 or 710.145, a declaration indicating that the local government is in compliance with the provisions of those sections with regard to the facilities and property it maintains and the services it provides outside its territorial boundaries.

6. The opinion and findings of the auditor contained in the report of the audit must be presented at a meeting of the governing body held not more than 30 days after the report is submitted to it. Immediately thereafter, the entire report, together with the management letter required by generally accepted auditing standards in the United States or by regulations adopted pursuant to NRS 354.594, must be filed as a public record with:

- (a) The clerk or secretary of the governing body;
- (b) The county clerk;
- (c) The Department of Taxation; and
- (d) In the case of a school district, the Department of Education.

7. After the report of the audit is filed by the local government, the report of the audit, including, without limitation, the opinion and findings of the auditor contained in the report of the audit, may be disseminated by or on behalf of the local government for which the report was prepared by inclusion, without limitation, in or on:

- (a) An official statement or other document prepared in connection with the offering of bonds or other securities;
- (b) A filing made pursuant to the laws or regulations of this State;
- (c) A filing made pursuant to a rule or regulation of the Securities and Exchange Commission of the United States; or
- (d) A website maintained by a local government on the Internet or its successor,

without the consent of the auditor who prepared the report of the audit. A provision of a contract entered into between an auditor and a local government that is contrary to the provisions of this subsection is against the public policy of this State and is void and unenforceable.

8. If an auditor finds evidence of fraud or dishonesty in the financial statements of a local government, the auditor shall report such evidence to the appropriate level of management in the local government.

9. The governing body shall act upon the recommendations of the report of the audit within 3 months after receipt of the report, unless prompter action is required concerning violations of law or regulation, by setting forth in its minutes its intention to adopt the recommendations, to adopt them with modifications or to reject them for reasons shown in the minutes.

(Added to NRS by 1965, 735; A 1967, 939; 1969, 800; 1971, 1344; 1973, 184; 1975, 451, 1688, 1801; 1977, 547; 1981, 313, 1768; 1987, 1043; 1989, 620; 1995, 1896, 1935; 1997, 574, 1611, 1739; 1999, 472, 2945; 2001, 1810; 2003, 1231; 2005, 292, 1344)

**Applicable Statue, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation:** NRS 354.624

**Fiscal Impact:** \$118,350.00

**Explanation of Impact:** If approved, the below referenced funds could be decreased by the amount shown up to a total of \$118,350.00

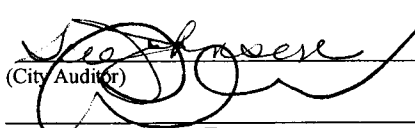
**Funding Source:**

General Fund	101-0701-415-0312	\$44,290.00	FY 2009
General Fund – Landfill Division	101-6804-441-0312	\$4,410.00	FY 2009
Group Medical Insurance Fund	570-0706-415-0312	\$2,060.00	FY 2009
Workers' Compensation Fund	580-0704-415-0312	\$2,060.00	FY 2009
Fleet Management	560-3025-419-0312	\$2,060.00	FY 2009
Insurance Fund	590-0745-415-0312	\$2,060.00	FY 2009
Water Fund	520-3502-435-0312	\$20,600.00	FY 2009
Sewer Fund	510-3201-434-0312	\$20,600.00	FY 2009
Storm Water Drainage Fund	505-3702-437-0312	\$1,030.00	FY 2009
Ambulance Fund	501-2525-422-0312	\$3,090.00	FY 2009
Cemetery Fund	530-5067-443-0312	\$1,030.00	FY 2009
Building Permits Fund	525-3014-424-0312	\$2,060.00	FY 2009
Internal Audit (1 shot money)	101-0800-415-0309	\$13,000.00	FY 2009
		\$118,350.00	


**Supporting Material:** Contract for Services of Independent Contractor Contract No. 0708-126

**Prepared By:** Cheryl Adams, Purchasing & Contracts Manager

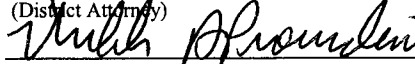
**Reviewed By:**

  
(City Auditor)

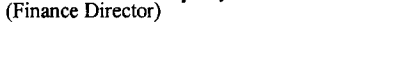
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(City Manager)

Date: 3/11/07

  
(District Attorney)

Date: 3-11-08

  
(Finance Director)

Date: 3-11-08

**Board Action Taken:**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_

1) \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_

Aye/Nay

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(Vote Recorded By)

**CONTRACT FOR SERVICES OF INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**  
**Contract No. 0708-126**

**THIS CONTRACT**, made and entered into this 20th day of March, 2008, by and between the City and County of Carson City, a political subdivision of the State of Nevada, hereinafter referred to as the "**CITY**", and Kafoury, Armstrong & Co. hereinafter referred to as the "**CONTRACTOR**".

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, the Purchasing & Contracts Director for the City and County of Carson City is authorized, pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes Chapter 332 and Carson City Purchasing Resolution #1990-R71, to approve and accept this Contract as set forth in and by the following provisions; and

**WHEREAS**, it is deemed that the services of **CONTRACTOR** for **CONTRACT No. 0708-126 Auditing Services for the year ended June 30, 2008 and Services for the Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Operating Record for the year ended June 30, 2008** are both necessary and in the best interests of **CITY**; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the aforesaid premises, the parties mutually agree as follows:

**1     REQUIRED APPROVAL:**

1.1    This Contract shall not become effective until and unless approved by the Carson City Board of Supervisors.

**2     CONTRACT TERM:**

2.1    This Contract shall be effective until March 31, 2009, unless sooner terminated by either party as specified in **Section 7 Contract Termination**.

**3     NOTICE:**

3.1    Unless otherwise specified, termination shall not be effective until thirty (30) calendar days after a party has served written notice of default, or without cause upon the other party. All notices or other communications required or permitted to be given under this Contract shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if delivered personally in hand, by e-mail with simultaneous regular mail, by telephonic facsimile with simultaneous regular mail, or by certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid on the date posted, and addressed to the other party at the address specified below.

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<b>For P&amp;C Use Only</b>	
CCBL expires	_____
GL expires	_____
AL expires	_____
PL expires	_____
WC expires	_____

3.1.1 Notice to **CONTRACTOR** shall be addressed to:

Kristen Burgess, CPA  
Kafoury, Armstrong & Co.  
6140 Plumas Street  
Reno, NV 89509-6060  
775-689-9100 / FAX #775-689-9299  
kburgess@kafoury.com

3.1.2 Notice to **CITY** shall be addressed to:

Carson City Purchasing & Contracts  
Cheryl Adams, Purchasing & Contracts Manager  
201 North Carson Street Suite 11  
Carson City, NV 89701  
775-887-2133 extension 30135 / FAX 775-887-2107  
CAdams@ci.carson-city.nv.us

**4 SCOPE OF WORK:**

4.1 **CONTRACTOR** shall provide and perform the following services set forth in Exhibit A and Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference for and on behalf of **CITY** hereinafter referred to as the "**SERVICES**".

4.2 **CONTRACTOR** will print up to twenty (20) bound copies of the audited financial statements.

4.3 **CONTRACTOR** will provide one (1) unbound copy of the audited financial statements.

4.4 **CITY** has received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the last seventeen (17) years and **CONTRACTOR** will provide a certificate review.

4.5 **CITY** shall guarantee access to and make all provisions for **CONTRACTOR** to enter public buildings as required for the **CONTRACTOR** to perform its work under this Contract.

4.6 **CITY** shall examine all documents and/or reports presented by the **CONTRACTOR** and render written decisions pertaining thereto within a reasonable period of time so as not to delay the work of the **CONTRACTOR**.

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4.7 **CONTRACTOR** shall make a one (1) hour presentation with appropriate graphic materials to the Carson City Board of Supervisors during a regularly scheduled meeting in December 2008.

4.8 Prompt written notice shall be provided to the **CONTRACTOR** whenever the **CITY** observes or otherwise becomes aware of any defect in the services provided.

4.9 **CONTRACTOR** represents that it is duly licensed by Carson City for the purposes of performing the **SERVICES**.

4.10 **CONTRACTOR** represents that it is duly qualified and licensed in the State of Nevada for the purposes of performing the **SERVICES**.

4.11 **CONTRACTOR** represents that it and/or the persons it may employ possess all skills and training necessary to perform the **SERVICES** described herein and required hereunder. **CONTRACTOR** shall perform the **SERVICES** faithfully, diligently, in a timely and professional manner, to the best of its ability, and in such a manner as is customarily performed by a person who is in the business of providing such services in similar circumstances. **CONTRACTOR** shall be responsible for the professional quality and technical accuracy of all **SERVICES** furnished by **CONTRACTOR** to **CITY**.

4.12 **CONTRACTOR** represents that neither the execution of this Contract nor the rendering of services by **CONTRACTOR** hereunder will violate the provisions of or constitute a default under any other contract or agreement to which **CONTRACTOR** is a party or by which **CONTRACTOR** is bound, or which would preclude **CONTRACTOR** from performing the **SERVICES** required of **CONTRACTOR** hereunder, or which would impose any liability or obligation upon **CITY** for accepting such **SERVICES**.

4.13 Before commencing with the performance of any work under this Contract, **CONTRACTOR** shall obtain all necessary permits and licenses as may be necessary. Before and during the progress of work under this Contract, **CONTRACTOR** shall give all notice and comply with all the laws, ordinances, rules and regulations of every kind and nature now or hereafter in effect promulgated by any Federal, State, County, or other Governmental Authority, relating to the performance of work under this Contract. If **CONTRACTOR** performs any work that is contrary to any such law, ordinance, rule or regulation, he shall bear all the costs arising therefrom.

5 **CONSIDERATION:**

5.1 The parties agree that **CONTRACTOR** will provide the **SERVICES** specified in **Section 4 Scope of Work** and **CITY** agrees to pay **CONTRACTOR** the **CONTRACT SUM** based upon a not to exceed maximum amount of One Hundred Eighteen Thousand, Three Hundred Fifty



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dollars and no cents (\$118,350.00).

5.2 **CONTRACT SUM** represents full and adequate compensation for the completed **WORK**, and includes the furnishing of all materials; all labor, equipment, tools, and appliances; and all expenses, direct or indirect, connected with the proper execution of the **WORK**.

5.3 **CITY** has provided a sample invoice and **CONTRACTOR** shall submit its request for payment using said sample invoice.

5.4 Payment by **CITY** for the **SERVICES** rendered by **CONTRACTOR** shall be due within thirty (30) calendar days from the date **CITY** acknowledges that the performance meets the requirements of this Contract or from the date the correct, complete, and descriptive invoice is received by **CITY** employee designated on the sample invoice, whichever is the latter date.

5.5 **CITY** does not agree to reimburse **CONTRACTOR** for expenses unless otherwise specified.

**6 TIMELINESS OF BILLING SUBMISSION:**

6.1 The parties agree that timeliness of billing is of the essence to this Contract and recognize that **CITY** is on a fiscal year which is defined as the period beginning July 1 and ending June 30 of the following year. All billings for dates of service prior to July 1 must be submitted to **CITY** no later than the first Friday in August of the same year. A billing submitted after the first Friday in August will subject **CONTRACTOR** to an administrative fee not to exceed \$100.00. The parties hereby agree this is a reasonable estimate of the additional costs to **CITY** of processing the billing as a stale claim and that this amount will be deducted from the stale claim payment due to **CONTRACTOR**.

**7 CONTRACT TERMINATION:**

**7.1 Termination Without Cause:**

7.1.1 Any discretionary or vested right of renewal notwithstanding, this Contract may be terminated upon written notice by mutual consent of both parties or unilaterally by either party without cause.

**7.2 Termination for Nonappropriation:**

7.2.1 The continuation of this Contract beyond June 30, 2008 is subject to and contingent upon sufficient funds being appropriated, budgeted, and otherwise made available by the Carson City Board of Supervisors. **CITY** may terminate this Contract, and **CONTRACTOR** waives any and all claim(s) for damages, effective immediately upon receipt of written notice (or any date specified therein) if for any reason the funding is not appropriated or is withdrawn, limited, or impaired.

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**7.3 Cause Termination for Default or Breach:**

7.3.1 A default or breach may be declared with or without termination.

7.3.2 This Contract may be terminated by either party upon written notice of default or breach to the other party as follows:

7.3.2.1 If **CONTRACTOR** fails to provide or satisfactorily perform any of the conditions, work, deliverables, goods, or services called for by this Contract within the time requirements specified in this Contract or within any granted extension of those time requirements; or

7.3.2.2 If any state, county, city or federal license, authorization, waiver, permit, qualification or certification required by statute, ordinance, law, or regulation to be held by **CONTRACTOR** to provide the goods or services required by this Contract is for any reason denied, revoked, debarred, excluded, terminated, suspended, lapsed, or not renewed; or

7.3.2.3 If **CONTRACTOR** becomes insolvent, subject to receivership, or becomes voluntarily or involuntarily subject to the jurisdiction of the bankruptcy court; or

7.3.2.4 If **CITY** materially breaches any material duty under this Contract and any such breach impairs **CONTRACTOR'S** ability to perform; or

7.3.2.5 If it is found by **CITY** that any quid pro quo or gratuities in the form of money, services, entertainment, gifts, or otherwise were offered or given by **CONTRACTOR**, or any agent or representative of **CONTRACTOR**, to any officer or employee of **CITY** with a view toward securing a contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to awarding, extending, amending, or making any determination with respect to the performing of such contract; or

7.3.2.6 If it is found by **CITY** that **CONTRACTOR** has failed to disclose any material conflict of interest relative to the performance of this Contract.

**7.4 Time to Correct:**

7.4.1 Termination upon a declared default or breach may be exercised only after service of formal written notice as specified in **Section 3 Notice**, and the subsequent failure of the defaulting party within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt of that notice to provide evidence, satisfactory to the aggrieved party, showing that the declared default or breach has been corrected.

**7.5 Winding Up Affairs Upon Termination:**

7.5.1 In the event of termination of this Contract for any reason, the parties agree that the

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provisions of this paragraph survive termination:

7.5.1.1 The parties shall account for and properly present to each other all claims for fees and expenses and pay those which are undisputed and otherwise not subject to set off under this Contract. Neither party may withhold performance of winding up provisions solely based on nonpayment of fees or expenses accrued up to the time of termination;

7.5.1.2 **CONTRACTOR** shall satisfactorily complete work in progress at the agreed rate (or a pro rata basis if necessary) if so requested by **CITY**;

7.5.1.3 **CONTRACTOR** shall execute any documents and take any actions necessary to effectuate an assignment of this Contract if so requested by **CITY**;

7.5.1.4 **CONTRACTOR** shall preserve, protect, and promptly deliver into **CITY** possession all proprietary information in accordance with **Section 23 City Ownership of Proprietary Information**.

**8 REMEDIES:**

8.1 Except as otherwise provided for by law or this Contract, the rights and remedies of the parties shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or equity, including, without limitation, actual damages, and to a prevailing party reasonable attorneys' fees and costs. The parties agree that, in the event a lawsuit is filed and a party is awarded attorney's fees by the court, for any reason, the amount of recoverable attorney's fees shall not exceed the rate of \$125 per hour. **CITY** may set off consideration against any unpaid obligation of **CONTRACTOR** to **CITY**.

**9 LIMITED LIABILITY:**

9.1 **CITY** will not waive and intends to assert available Nevada Revised Statutes Chapter 41 liability limitations in all cases. Contract liability of both parties shall not be subject to punitive damages. Liquidated damages shall not apply unless otherwise specified in the incorporated attachments. Damages for any **CITY** breach shall never exceed the amount of funds appropriated for payment under this Contract, but not yet paid to **CONTRACTOR**, for the fiscal year budget in existence at the time of the breach. **CONTRACTOR'S** tort liability shall not be limited.

**10 FORCE MAJEURE:**

10.1 Neither party shall be deemed to be in violation of this Contract if it is prevented from performing any of its obligations hereunder due to strikes, failure of public transportation, civil or military authority, act of public enemy, accidents, fires, explosions, or acts of God, including, without limitation, earthquakes, floods, winds, or storms. In such an event the intervening cause must not be through the fault of the party asserting such an excuse, and the excused

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party is obligated to promptly perform in accordance with the terms of this Contract after the intervening cause ceases.

**11 INDEMNIFICATION:**

11.1 To the extent permitted by law, including, but not limited to, the provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes Chapter 41, each party shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend, not excluding the other's right to participate, the other party from and against all liability, claims, actions, damages, losses, and expenses, including but not limited to reasonable attorney's fees and costs, arising out of any alleged negligent or willful acts or omissions of the indemnifying party, its officers, employees and agents. Such obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge, or otherwise reduce any other right or obligation of the indemnity which would otherwise exist as to any party or person described in this paragraph.

11.2 Except as otherwise provided in Subsection 11.4 below, the indemnifying party shall not be obligated to provide a legal defense to the indemnified party, nor reimburse the indemnified party for the same, for any period occurring before the indemnified party provides written notice of the pending claim(s) or cause(s) of action to the indemnifying party, along with:

11.2.1 a written request for a legal defense for such pending claim(s) or cause(s) of action; and

11.2.2 a detailed explanation of the basis upon which the indemnified party believes that the claim or cause of action asserted against the indemnified party implicates the culpable conduct of the indemnifying party, its officers, employees, and/or agents.

11.3 After the indemnifying party has begun to provide a legal defense for the indemnified party, the indemnifying party shall not be obligated to fund or reimburse any fees or costs provided by any additional counsel for the indemnified party, including counsel through which the indemnified party might voluntarily choose to participate in its defense of the same matter.

11.4 After the indemnifying party has begun to provide a legal defense for the indemnified party, the indemnifying party shall be obligated to reimburse the reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred by the indemnified party during the initial thirty (30) day period of the claim or cause of action, if any, incurred by separate counsel.

**12 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR:**

12.1 An independent contractor is a natural person, firm or corporation who agrees to perform services for a fixed price according to his or its own methods and without subsection to the supervision or control of the other contracting party, except as to the results of the work, and not as to the means by which the services are accomplished.

12.2 It is mutually agreed that **CONTRACTOR** is associated with **CITY** only for the purposes

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and to the extent specified in this Contract, and in respect to performance of the contracted services pursuant to this Contract. **CONTRACTOR** is and shall be an independent contractor and, subject only to the terms of this Contract, shall have the sole right to supervise, manage, operate, control, and direct performance of the details incident to its duties under this Contract.

12.3 Nothing contained in this Contract shall be deemed or construed to create a partnership or joint venture, to create relationships of an employer-employee or principal-agent, or to otherwise create any liability for **CITY** whatsoever with respect to the indebtedness, liabilities, and obligations of **CONTRACTOR** or any other party.

12.4 **CONTRACTOR** shall indemnify and hold **CITY** harmless from, and defend **CITY** against, any and all losses, damages, claims, costs, penalties, liabilities, expenses arising out of or incurred in any way because of, but not limited to, **CONTRACTOR'S** obligations or legal duties regarding any taxes, fees, assessments, benefits, entitlements, notice of benefits, employee's eligibility to work, to any third party, subcontractor, employee, state, local or federal governmental entity.

12.5 Neither **CONTRACTOR** nor its employees, agents, or representatives shall be considered employees, agents, or representatives of **CITY**.

**13 INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:**

13.1 **CONTRACTOR**, as an independent contractor and not an employee of **CITY**, must carry policies of insurance in amounts specified and pay all taxes and fees incident hereunto. **CITY** shall have no liability except as specifically provided in this Contract.

13.2 **CONTRACTOR** shall not commence work before: (1) **CONTRACTOR** has provided the required evidence of insurance to Carson City Purchasing & Contracts, and (2) **CITY** has approved the insurance policies provided by **CONTRACTOR**.

13.3 Prior approval of the insurance policies by **CITY** shall be a condition precedent to any payment of consideration under this Contract and **CITY'S** approval of any changes to insurance coverage during the course of performance shall constitute an ongoing condition subsequent this Contract. Any failure of **CITY** to timely approve shall not constitute a waiver of the condition.

**13.4 Insurance Coverage:**

13.4.1 **CONTRACTOR** shall, at **CONTRACTOR'S** sole expense, procure, maintain and keep in force for the duration of this Contract the following insurance conforming to the minimum requirements specified below. Unless specifically specified herein or otherwise agreed to by **CITY**, the required insurance shall be in effect prior to the commencement of work by **CONTRACTOR** and shall continue in force as appropriate until the latter of:

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13.4.1.1 Final acceptance by **CITY** of the completion of this Contract; or

13.4.1.2 Such time as the insurance is no longer required by **CITY** under the terms of this Contract.

13.4.2 Any insurance or self-insurance available to **CITY** shall be in excess of and non-contributing with any insurance required from **CONTRACTOR**. **CONTRACTOR'S** insurance policies shall apply on a primary basis. Until such time as the insurance is no longer required by **CITY**, **CONTRACTOR** shall provide **CITY** with renewal or replacement evidence of insurance no less than thirty (30) calendar days before the expiration or replacement of the required insurance. If at any time during the period when insurance is required by this Contract, an insurer or surety shall fail to comply with the requirements of this Contract, as soon as **CONTRACTOR** has knowledge of any such failure, **CONTRACTOR** shall immediately notify **CITY** and immediately replace such insurance or bond with an insurer meeting the requirements.

**13.5 General Requirements:**

13.5.1 **Certificate Holder:** Each liability insurance policy shall list Carson City c/o Carson City Purchasing & Contracts, 201 N. Carson Street Suite 11, Carson City, NV 89701 as a certificate holder.

13.5.2 **Additional Insured:** By endorsement to the general liability insurance policy evidenced by **CONTRACTOR**, The City and County of Carson City, Nevada, its officers, employees and immune contractors shall be named as additional insureds for all liability arising from this Contract.

13.5.3 **Waiver of Subrogation:** Each liability insurance policy shall provide for a waiver of subrogation as to additional insureds.

13.5.4 **Cross-Liability:** All required liability policies shall provide cross-liability coverage as would be achieved under the standard ISO separation of insureds clause.

13.5.5 **Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions:** Insurance maintained by **CONTRACTOR** shall apply on a first dollar basis without application of a deductible or self-insured retention unless otherwise specifically agreed to by **CITY**. Such approval shall not relieve **CONTRACTOR** from the obligation to pay any deductible or self-insured retention. Any deductible or self-insured retention shall not exceed \$5,000 per occurrence, unless otherwise approved by **CITY**.

13.5.6 **Policy Cancellation:** Except for ten (10) calendar days notice for non-payment of premium, each insurance policy shall be endorsed to state that; without thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice to Carson City Purchasing & Contracts, the policy shall not be canceled, non-renewed or coverage and /or limits reduced or materially altered, and shall

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provide that notices required by this paragraph shall be sent by certified mail to Carson City Purchasing & Contracts, 201 N. Carson Street Suite 11, Carson City, NV 89701.

13.5.7 **Approved Insurer:** Each insurance policy shall be:

13.5.7.1 Issued by insurance companies authorized to do business in the State of Nevada or eligible surplus lines insurers acceptable to the State and having agents in Nevada upon whom service of process may be made, and

13.5.7.2 Currently rated by A.M. Best as "A-VII" or better.

13.5.8 **Evidence of Insurance:** Prior to commencement of work, **CONTRACTOR** must provide the following documents to Carson City Purchasing & Contracts, 201 North Carson Street Suite 11, Carson City, NV 89701:

13.5.8.1 Certificate of Insurance: The Acord 25 Certificate of Insurance form or a form substantially similar must be submitted to Carson City Purchasing & Contracts to evidence the insurance policies and coverages required of **CONTRACTOR**.

13.5.8.2 Additional Insured Endorsement: An Additional Insured Endorsement (CG20 10 or C20 26), signed by an authorized insurance company representative, must be submitted to Carson City Purchasing & Contracts to evidence the endorsement of **CITY** as an additional insured per Subsection 13.5.2.

13.5.8.3 Schedule of Underlying Insurance Policies: If Umbrella or Excess policy is evidenced to comply with minimum limits, a copy of the Underlyer Schedule from the Umbrella or Excess insurance policy may be required.

13.5.9 **Review and Approval:** Documents specified above must be submitted for review and approval by Carson City Purchasing & Contracts prior to the commencement of work by **CONTRACTOR**. Neither approval by **CITY** nor failure to disapprove the insurance furnished by **CONTRACTOR** shall relieve **CONTRACTOR** of **CONTRACTOR'S** full responsibility to provide the insurance required by this Contract. Compliance with the insurance requirements of this Contract shall not limit the liability of **CONTRACTOR** or its sub-contractors, employees or agents to **CITY** or others, and shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any other remedy available to **CITY** under this Contract or otherwise. **CITY** reserves the right to request and review a copy of any required insurance policy or endorsement to assure compliance with these requirements.

14 **COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE:**

14.1 Minimum Limits required:

14.1.1 Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) - General Aggregate

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14.1.2 Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) - Products & Completed Operations Aggregate

14.1.3 One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) - Each Occurrence

14.2 Coverage shall be on an occurrence basis and shall be at least as broad as ISO 1996 form CG 00 01 (or a substitute form providing equivalent coverage); and shall cover liability arising from premises, operations, independent contractors, completed operations, personal injury, products, civil lawsuits, Title VII actions and liability assumed under an insured contract (including the tort liability of another assumed in a business contract).

**15 BUSINESS AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE:**

15.1 Minimum Limit required:

15.1.1 One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage

15.2 Coverage shall be for "any auto", including owned, non-owned and hired vehicles. The policy shall be written on ISO form CA 00 01 or a substitute providing equivalent liability coverage. If necessary, the policy shall be endorsed to provide contractual liability coverage.

**16 PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE:**

16.1 Minimum Limit required: One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00)

16.2 Retroactive date: Prior to commencement of the performance of this Contract

16.3 Discovery period: Three (3) years after termination date of this Contract.

16.4 A certified copy of this policy may be required.

**17 WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY INSURANCE:**

17.1 **CONTRACTOR** shall provide worker's compensation insurance as required by Nevada Revised Statutes Chapters 616A through 616D inclusive and Employer's Liability insurance with a minimum limit of \$500,000 each employee per accident for bodily injury by accident or disease.

17.2 **CONTRACTOR** may, in lieu of furnishing a certificate of an insurer, provide an affidavit indicating that **CONTRACTOR** is a sole proprietor; that **CONTRACTOR** will not use the services of any employees in the performance of this Contract; that **CONTRACTOR** has elected to not be included in the terms, conditions, and provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes Chapters 616A-616D, inclusive; and that **CONTRACTOR** is otherwise in compliance with the



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terms, conditions, and provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes Chapters 616A-616D, inclusive.

**18 BUSINESS LICENSE:**

18.1 **CONTRACTOR** shall not commence work before **CONTRACTOR** has provided a copy of his Carson City business license to Carson City Purchasing & Contracts.

18.2 The Carson City business license shall continue in force until the latter of: (1) final acceptance by **CITY** of the completion of this Contract; or (2) such time as the Carson City business license is no longer required by **CITY** under the terms of this Contract.

**19 COMPLIANCE WITH LEGAL OBLIGATIONS:**

19.1 **CONTRACTOR** shall procure and maintain for the duration of this Contract any state, county, city, or federal license, authorization, waiver, permit, qualification or certification required by statute, ordinance, law, or regulation to be held by **CONTRACTOR** to provide the goods or services of this Contract. **CONTRACTOR** will be responsible to pay all taxes, assessments, fees, premiums, permits, and licenses required by law. Real property and personal property taxes are the responsibility of **CONTRACTOR** in accordance with Nevada Revised Statutes 361.157 and 361.159. **CONTRACTOR** agrees to be responsible for payment of any such government obligations not paid by its subcontractors during performance of this Contract. **CITY** may set-off against consideration due any delinquent government obligation.

**20 WAIVER OF BREACH:**

20.1 Failure to declare a breach or the actual waiver of any particular breach of this Contract or its material or nonmaterial terms by either party shall not operate as a waiver by such party of any of its rights or remedies as to any other breach.

**21 SEVERABILITY:**

21.1 If any provision contained in this Contract is held to be unenforceable by a court of law or equity, this Contract shall be construed as if such provision did not exist and the nonenforceability of such provision shall not be held to render any other provision or provisions of this Contract unenforceable.

**22 ASSIGNMENT/DELEGATION:**

22.1 To the extent that any assignment of any right under this Contract changes the duty of either party, increases the burden or risk involved, impairs the chances of obtaining the performance of this Contract, attempts to operate as a novation, or includes a waiver or abrogation of any defense to payment by **CITY**, such offending portion of the assignment shall be void, and shall be a breach of this Contract. **CONTRACTOR** shall neither assign, transfer nor delegate any rights, obligations or duties under this Contract without the prior written

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approval of CITY.

**23 CITY OWNERSHIP OF PROPRIETARY INFORMATION:**

23.1 Any files, reports, histories, studies, tests, manuals, instructions, photographs, negatives, blue prints, plans, maps, data, system designs, computer programs, computer codes, and computer records (which are intended to be consideration under this Contract), or any other documents or drawings, prepared or in the course of preparation by **CONTRACTOR** (or its subcontractors) in performance of its obligations under this Contract shall be the exclusive property of **CITY** and all such materials shall be delivered into **CITY** possession by **CONTRACTOR** upon completion, termination, or cancellation of this Contract. **CONTRACTOR** shall not use, willingly allow, or cause to have such materials used for any purpose other than performance of **CONTRACTOR'S** obligations under this Contract without the prior written consent of **CITY**. Notwithstanding the foregoing, **CITY** shall have no proprietary interest in any materials licensed for use by **CITY** that are subject to patent, trademark or copyright protection.

23.2 **CITY** shall be permitted to retain copies, including reproducible copies, of **CONTRACTOR'S** drawings, specifications, and other documents for information and reference in connection with this Contract.

23.3 **CONTRACTOR'S** drawings, specifications and other documents shall not be used by **CITY** or others without expressed permission of **CONTRACTOR**.

**24 PUBLIC RECORDS:**

24.1 Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute 239.010, information or documents received from **CONTRACTOR** may be open to public inspection and copying. **CITY** will have the duty to disclose unless a particular record is made confidential by law or a common law balancing of interests. **CONTRACTOR** may clearly label specific parts of an individual document as a "trade secret" or "confidential" in accordance with Nevada Revised Statute 332.061, provided that **CONTRACTOR** thereby agrees to indemnify and defend **CITY** for honoring such a designation. The failure to so label any document that is released by **CITY** shall constitute a complete waiver of any and all claims for damages caused by any release of the records.

**25 CONFIDENTIALITY:**

25.1 **CONTRACTOR** shall keep confidential all information, in whatever form, produced, prepared, observed or received by **CONTRACTOR** to the extent that such information is confidential by law or otherwise required by this Contract.

**26 FEDERAL FUNDING:**

26.1 In the event federal funds are used for payment of all or part of this Contract:

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26.1.1 **CONTRACTOR** certifies, by signing this Contract, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency. This certification is made pursuant to the regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 28 C.F.R. pt. 67, § 67.510, as published as pt. VII of the May 26, 1988, Federal Register (pp. 19160-19211), and any relevant program-specific regulations. This provision shall be required of every subcontractor receiving any payment in whole or in part from federal funds.

26.1.2 **CONTRACTOR** and its subcontractors shall comply with all terms, conditions, and requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (P.L. 101-136), 42 U.S.C. 12101, as amended, and regulations adopted thereunder contained in 28 C.F.R. 26.101-36.999, inclusive, and any relevant program-specific regulations.

26.1.3 **CONTRACTOR** and its subcontractors shall comply with the requirements of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, P.L. 93-112, as amended, and any relevant program-specific regulations, and shall not discriminate against any employee or offeror for employment because of race, national origin, creed, color, sex, religion, age, disability or handicap condition (including AIDS and AIDS-related conditions).

**27 LOBBYING:**

27.1 The parties agree, whether expressly prohibited by federal law, or otherwise, that no funding associated with this Contract will be used for any purpose associated with or related to lobbying or influencing or attempting to lobby or influence for any purpose the following:

27.1.1 Any federal, state, county or local agency, legislature, commission, counsel or board;

27.1.2 Any federal, state, county or local legislator, commission member, counsel member, board member, or other elected official; or

27.1.3 Any officer or employee of any federal, state, county or local agency; legislature, commission, counsel or board.

**28 GENERAL WARRANTY:**

28.1 **CONTRACTOR** warrants that all services, deliverables, and/or work product under this Contract shall be completed in a workmanlike manner consistent with standards in the trade, profession, or industry; shall conform to or exceed the specifications as set forth in the incorporated attachments; and shall be fit for ordinary use, of good quality, with no material defects.

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**29    PROPER AUTHORITY:**

29.1 The parties hereto represent and warrant that the person executing this Contract on behalf of each party has full power and authority to enter into this Contract. **CONTRACTOR** acknowledges that this Contract is effective only after approval by the Carson City Board of Supervisors and only for the period of time specified in this Contract. Any services performed by **CONTRACTOR** before this Contract is effective or after it ceases to be effective are performed at the sole risk of **CONTRACTOR**.

**30    ARBITRATION:**

30.1 Any controversy of claims arising out of or relating to this Contract, or the breach thereof, provided both parties agree, may be settled by arbitration in accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association and judgment upon the award rendered by the Arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

**31    GOVERNING LAW; JURISDICTION:**

31.1 This Contract and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be governed by, and construed according to, the laws of the State of Nevada, without giving effect to any principle of conflict-of-law that would require the application of the law of any other jurisdiction. **CONTRACTOR** consents and agrees to the jurisdiction of the courts of the State of Nevada located in Carson City, Nevada for enforcement of this Contract.

**32    ENTIRE CONTRACT AND MODIFICATION:**

32.1 This Contract and its integrated attachment(s) constitute the entire Contract of the parties and such are intended as a complete and exclusive statement of the promises, representations, negotiations, discussions, and other Contracts that may have been made in connection with the subject matter hereof. Unless an integrated attachment to this Contract specifically displays a mutual intent to amend a particular part of this Contract, general conflicts in language between any such attachment and this Contract shall be construed consistent with the terms of this Contract. Unless otherwise expressly authorized by the terms of this Contract, no modification or amendment to this Contract shall be binding upon the parties unless the same is in writing and signed by the respective parties hereto and approved by the Carson City Board of Supervisors.

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**33 ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND EXECUTION:**

33.1 In witness whereof, the parties hereto have caused this Contract to be signed and intend to be legally bound thereby.

**CARSON CITY**

Finance Director  
Attn: Cheryl A. Adams, Purchasing &  
Contracts Manager  
201 North Carson Street Suite 11  
Carson City, Nevada 89701  
Telephone: 775-887-2133 ext. 30135  
Fax: 775-887-2107  
CAdams@ci.carson-city.nv.us

By:   
CHERYL A. ADAMS  
Purchasing & Contracts Manager

DATED 3/11/08

**CITY'S LEGAL COUNSEL**

Neil A. Rombardo, District Attorney

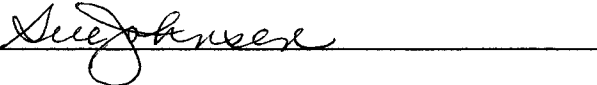
I have reviewed this Contract and approve as to its legal form.

By:   
Deputy District Attorney

DATED 3-11-08

**CITY'S ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT**

**BY:** Sue Johnson, City Auditor  
Executive Office  
201 North Carson Street Suite 2  
Carson City, NV 8970  
Telephone: 775-887-2094  
Fax: 775-887-2286  
SJohnson@ci.carson-city.nv.us

By: 

DATED 3/11/8

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Kristen Burgess being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That she is the **CONTRACTOR**; that she has read the foregoing Contract; and that she understands the terms, conditions, and requirements thereof.

**CONTRACTOR**  
**BY:** Kristen Burgess, CPA  
**TITLE:** Shareholder  
**FIRM:** Kafoury, Armstrong & Co.  
**CARSON CITY BUSINESS LICENSE #:** 08-00912  
**Address:** 6140 Plumas Street  
**City:** Reno **State:** NV **Zip Code:** 89509-6060  
**Telephone:** 775-689-9100/ **Fax #:** 775-689-9299  
**E-mail Address:** kburgess@kafoury.com

Kristen Burgess  
(Signature of **CONTRACTOR**)

DATED March 7, 2008

STATE OF Nevada )  
County of Washoe ) ss

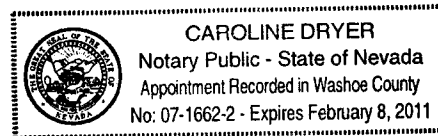
On this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, in the year 2008, before me, Caroline Dryer, Notary Public, personally appeared Kristen Burgess, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to this instrument, and acknowledged that he executed it.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Caroline Dryer  
Notary's Signature

L.S.

My Commission Expires: 2/8/11



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**CONTRACT ACCEPTANCE AND EXECUTION:**

The Board of Supervisors for Carson City, Nevada at their publicly noticed meeting of March 20, 2008 approved the acceptance of **CONTRACT No. 0708-126**. Further, the Board of Supervisors authorizes the Mayor of Carson City, Nevada to set his hand to this document and record his signature for the execution of this contract in accordance with the action taken.

**CARSON CITY, NEVADA**

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MARV TEIXEIRA, MAYOR

DATED this 20th day of March, 2008.

**ATTEST:**

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ALAN GLOVER, CLERK-RECORDER

DATED this 20th day of March, 2008.

Exhibit "A"



**KAFOURY, ARMSTRONG & CO.**  
A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION  
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

*Serving our clients since 1941.*

February 8, 2008

Mr. Larry Werner, City Manager  
Carson City  
201 N. Carson Street, Suite 2  
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Dear Mr. Werner:

We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the services we are to provide Carson City, Nevada (Carson City) for the year ended June 30, 2008. We will audit the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of Carson City as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008. The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) will include the following supplementary information required by generally accepted accounting principles that will be subjected to certain limited procedures, but will not be audited:

- Management's Discussion and Analysis.

Also, the CAFR will include the following additional information that will be subjected to our audit of the financial statements upon which we will provide an opinion in relation to the basic financial statements:

- The combining and individual fund statements and schedules, including budgetary comparisons,
- The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.
- Other supplementary information

The CAFR will also include the following additional information that will be subjected to certain limited procedures or procedures applicable to an attestation review:

- Nevada Revised Statutes 354.6241.

The CAFR will also include the Introductory Section and Statistical Section that will not be subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements, and for which our auditor's report will disclaim an opinion.

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### **Audit Objectives**

The objective of our audit is the expression of opinions as to whether your basic financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and to report on the fairness of the additional information referred to in the first paragraph when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The objective also includes reporting on –

- Internal control related to the financial statements and compliance with laws, regulations, the provisions of contracts or grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a material effect on the financial statements in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.
- Internal control related to major programs and an opinion (or disclaimer of opinion) on compliance with laws, regulations, and the provisions of contracts or grant agreements that could have a direct and material effect on each major program in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*.

The reports on internal control and compliance will each include a statement that the report is intended for the information and use of the audit committee, management, specific legislative or regulatory bodies, federal awarding agencies, and if applicable, pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Our audit will be conducted in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards; the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996; and the provisions of OMB Circular A-133, and will include tests of accounting records, a determination of major program(s) in accordance with Circular A-133, and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express such opinions and to render the require reports. If our opinions on the financial statements or the Single Audit compliance opinions are other than unqualified, we will fully discuss the reasons with you in advance. If, for any reason, we are unable to complete the audit or are unable to form or have not formed opinions, we may decline to express opinions or to issue a report as a result of this engagement.

### **Management Responsibilities**

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal controls, including monitoring ongoing activities; for the selection and application of accounting principles; for the fair presentation in the financial statements of the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely

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presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Carson City and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles; and for federal award program compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements. Management is responsible for the basic financial statements and all accompanying information as well as all representations contained therein.

You are responsible for management decisions and functions. As part of the audit, we will prepare a draft of your financial statements, schedule of expenditures of federal awards, and related notes. In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, you will be required to review and approve those financial statements prior to their issuance and have a responsibility to be in a position in fact and appearance to make an informed judgment on those financial statements. Further, you are required to designate a qualified management-level individual to be responsible and accountable for overseeing our services.

Management is responsible for making all financial records and related information available to us, including identifying significant vendor relationships in which the vendor has the responsibility for program compliance and for the accuracy and completeness of that information. Management's responsibilities include adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements and for confirming to us in the representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

You are responsible for the design and implementation of programs and controls to prevent and detect fraud, and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud or illegal acts affecting the government involving (1) management, (2) employees who have significant roles in internal control, and (3) others where the fraud or illegal acts could have a material effect on the financial statements. Your responsibilities include informing us of your knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the government received in communications from employees, former employees, grantors, regulators, or others. In addition, you are responsible for identifying and ensuring that the entity complies with applicable laws, regulations, contracts, agreements, and grants. Additionally, as required by OMB Circular A-133, it is management's responsibility to follow up and take corrective action on reported audit findings and to prepare a summary schedule of prior audit findings and a corrective action plan. The summary schedule of prior audit findings should be available for our review on October 15, 2008.

Management is responsible for establishment and maintenance of a process for tracking the status of audit findings and recommendations. Management is also responsible for identifying for us previous audits or other engagements or studies related to the objectives discussed in the Audit Objectives section of this letter. This responsibility includes relaying to us corrective actions taken to address significant findings and recommendations resulting

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from those audits or other engagements or studies. You are also responsible for providing management's views on our current findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as your planned corrective actions, and the timing and format related thereto.

With regard to the electronic dissemination of audited financial statements, including financial statements published electronically on your website, you understand that electronic sites are a means to distribute information and, therefore, we are not required to read the information contained in these sites or to consider the consistency of other information in the electronic site with the original document.

If you decide to include, publish or otherwise reproduce the financial statements and our report thereon at a date subsequent to their original issuance, such as for inclusion in a bond offering, prospectus or similar document, our Firm is presumed not to be associated with such document, and we have no obligation to perform any procedures with respect to such documents. In addition, we request that you include the following language in such offering documents:

"Kafoury, Armstrong & Co., our independent auditor, has not been engaged to perform and has not performed, since the date of its report included herein, any procedures on the financial statements addressed in that report. Kafoury, Armstrong & Co. also has not performed any procedures relating to this official statement."

If, however, management takes certain actions, such as requesting a written consent from us prior to including our audit report in such an offering document, our Firm then becomes associated with the offering and, in accordance with professional standards, we will be required to perform certain limited procedures with respect to unaudited information contained in the document. Fees for inclusion of our audit report in such a document will be based on our standard hourly rates.

#### **Audit Procedures—General**

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements; therefore, our audit will involve judgment about the number of transactions to be examined and the areas to be tested. We will plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable rather than absolute assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the entity or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the entity. Because the determination of abuse is subjective, *Government Auditing Standards* do not expect auditors to provide reasonable assurance of detecting abuse.

As required by the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular A-133, our audit will include tests of transactions related to major federal award programs for

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compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and agreements.

Because an audit is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute assurance and because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, there is a risk that material misstatements or noncompliance may exist and not be detected by us. In addition, an audit is not designed to detect immaterial misstatements or violations of laws or governmental regulations that do not have a direct and material effect on the financial statements or major programs. However, we will inform you of any material errors and any fraudulent financial reporting or misappropriation of assets that comes to our attention. We will also inform you of any violations of laws or governmental regulations that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential. We will include such matters in the reports required for a Single Audit. Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any later periods for which we are not engaged as auditors.

Our procedures will include tests of documentary evidence supporting the transactions recorded in the accounts, and may include tests of the physical existence of inventories, and direct confirmation of receivables and certain other assets and liabilities by correspondence with selected individuals, creditors, and financial institutions. We will request written representations from your attorneys as part of the engagement, and they may bill you for responding to this inquiry. At the conclusion of our audit, we will also require certain written representations from you about the financial statements and related matters.

#### **Audit Procedures—Internal Controls**

Our audit will include obtaining an understanding of the entity and its environment, including internal control, sufficient to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements and to design the nature, timing, and extent of further audit procedures. Tests of controls may be performed to test the effectiveness of certain controls that we consider relevant to preventing and detecting errors and fraud that are material to the financial statements and to preventing and detecting misstatements resulting from illegal acts and other noncompliance matters that have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. Our tests, if performed, will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on internal control and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*.

As required by OMB Circular A-133, we will perform tests of controls over compliance to evaluate the effectiveness of the design and operation of controls that we consider relevant to preventing or detecting material noncompliance with compliance requirements applicable to each major federal award program. However, our tests will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on those controls and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to OMB Circular A-133.

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An audit is not designed to provide assurance on internal control or to identify significant deficiencies. However, during the audit, we will communicate to management and those charged with governance internal control related matters that are required to be communicated under professional standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and OMB Circular A-133.

#### **Audit Procedures—Compliance**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we will perform tests of Carson City's compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and agreements, including grant agreements. However, the objective of those procedures will not be to provide an opinion on overall compliance and we will not express such an opinion in our report on compliance issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*.

OMB Circular A-133 requires that we also plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the auditee has complied with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements applicable to major programs. Our procedures will consist of test of transactions and other applicable procedures described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* for the types of compliance requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each of Carson City's major programs. The purpose of those procedures will be to express an opinion on Carson City's compliance with requirements applicable to each of its major programs in our report on compliance issued pursuant to OMB Circular A-133.

#### **Audit Administration, Fees, and Other**

We understand that your employees will prepare all cash, accounts receivable, or other confirmations we request and will locate any documents selected by us for testing.

At the conclusion of the engagement, we will complete the appropriate sections of and sign the Data Collection Form that summarizes our audit findings. We will provide copies of our reports to Carson City; however, it is management's responsibility to submit the reporting package (including financial statements, Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, auditors' reports, and a corrective action plan, as necessary) along with the Data Collection Form to the designated federal clearinghouse and, if appropriate, to pass-through entities. The Data Collection Form and the reporting package must be submitted within the earlier of 30 days after receipt of the auditors' reports or nine months after the end of the audit period, unless a longer period is agreed to in advance by the cognizant or oversight agency for audits. At the conclusion of the engagement, we will provide information to management as to where the reporting packages should be submitted and the number to submit.

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The audit documentation for this engagement is the property of Kafoury, Armstrong & Co. and constitutes confidential information. However, pursuant to authority given by law or regulation, we may be requested to make certain audit documentation available to a cognizant or oversight agency for audit or its designee, a federal agency providing direct or indirect funding, or the U.S. Government Accountability Office for purposes of a quality review of the audit, to resolve audit findings, or to carry out oversight responsibilities. We will notify you of any such request. If requested, access to such audit documentation will be provided under the supervision of Kafoury, Armstrong & Co. personnel. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide copies of selected audit documentation to the aforementioned parties. These parties may intend, or decide, to distribute the copies or information contained therein to others, including other governmental agencies.

The audit documentation for this engagement will be retained for a minimum of seven years after the date the report release or for any additional period requested by a cognizant agency, oversight agency, or pass-through entity. If we are aware that a federal awarding agency, pass-through entity, or auditee is contesting an audit finding, we will contact the party contesting the audit finding for guidance prior to destroying the audit documentation.

We expect to begin our audit in May 2008 and to issue our reports no later than November 30, 2008. Our fee for these audit services will be based on the actual time spent at our standard hourly rates including out-of-pocket costs (such as typing, postage, etc.) and our standard hourly rates vary according to the degree of responsibility involved and the experience level of the personnel assigned to your audit. For the year ended June 30, 2008 we have segregated the components of the audit fee as follows:

- We agree that our gross fee for the audit, exclusive of the hours incurred to adhere to the new risk assessment auditing standards will not exceed \$74,000. This fee is based upon the assumption that the City will have two major programs subject to the audit provisions under the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular A-133. If the City has additional major programs subject to audit, our fee will increase \$3,500 for each additional major program.
- We agree that our fee for the hours incurred to adhere to the new risk assessment auditing standards will be dependent upon the City's involvement in the documentation of the City's key processes and controls at the assertion level. Assuming management assists in the documentation, we estimate the fee will not exceed \$20,000; however, should management be unable to assist us with the documentation required under the new auditing standards, we estimate our fee will not exceed \$35,000.

In addition, the above fees are based on anticipated cooperation from your personnel and the assumption that unexpected circumstances will not be encountered during the audit. If

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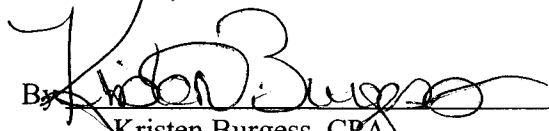
significant additional time is necessary, we will discuss it with you and arrive at a new fee estimate before we incur the additional costs.

Our invoices for these fees will be rendered as work progresses and are payable on presentation. In accordance with our firm policies, work may be suspended if your account becomes 30 days or more overdue and may not be resumed until your account is paid in full. If we elect to terminate our services for nonpayment, our engagement will be deemed to have been completed upon written notification of termination, even if we have not completed our report. You will be obligated to compensate us for all time expended and to reimburse us for all out-of-pocket costs through the date of termination. In addition, it is our policy to assess a financial charge of 1.5% per month on all accounts past due for more than 30 days. This represents an annual percentage rate of 18%.

*Government Auditing Standards* require that we provide you with a copy of our most recent external peer review report and any letter of comment, and any subsequent peer review reports and letters of comment received during the period of the contract. Our 2007 peer review report accompanies this letter.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service to Carson City and believe this letter accurately summarizes the significant terms of our engagement. If you have any questions, please let us know. If you agree with the terms of our engagement as described in this letter, please sign the enclosed copy and return it to us.

Very truly yours,  
KAFOURY, ARMSTRONG & CO.

By:   
Kristen Burgess, CRA  
Engagement Shareholder

KB:cd  
Enclosures

RESPONSE:

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of Carson City.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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To the Shareholders  
Kafoury, Armstrong & Co

We have reviewed the system of quality control for the accounting and auditing practice of Kafoury, Armstrong & Co in effect for the year ended December 31, 2006. A system of quality control encompasses the Firm's organizational structure and the policies adopted and procedures established to provide it with reasonable assurance of conforming with professional standards. The elements of quality control are described in the Statements on Quality Control Standards issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). The Firm is responsible for designing a system of quality control and complying with it to provide the Firm reasonable assurance of conforming with professional standards in all material respects. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the design of the system of quality control and the Firm's compliance with its system of quality control based on our review.

Our review was conducted in accordance with standards established by the Peer Review Board of the AICPA. During our review, we read required representations from the Firm, interviewed Firm personnel and obtained an understanding of the nature of the Firm's accounting and auditing practice, and the design of the Firm's system of quality control sufficient to assess the risks implicit in its practice. Based on our assessments, we selected engagements and administrative files to test for conformity with professional standards and compliance with the Firm's system of quality control. The engagements selected represented a reasonable cross-section of the Firm's accounting and auditing practice with emphasis on higher-risk engagements. The engagements selected included among others, audits of employee benefit plans and engagements performed under *government auditing standards*. Prior to concluding the review, we reassessed the adequacy of the scope of the peer review procedures and met with Firm management to discuss the results of our review. We believe that the procedures we performed provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In performing our review, we obtained an understanding of the system of quality control for the Firm's accounting and auditing practice. In addition, we tested compliance with the Firm's quality control policies and procedures to the extent we considered appropriate. These tests covered the application of the Firm's policies and procedures on selected engagements. Our review was based on selected tests therefore it would not necessarily detect all weaknesses in the system of quality control or all instances of noncompliance with it. There are inherent limitations in the effectiveness of any system of quality control and therefore noncompliance with the system of quality control may occur and not be detected. Projection of any evaluation of a system of quality control to future periods is subject to the risk that the system of quality control may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or because the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the system of quality control for the accounting and auditing practice of Kafoury, Armstrong & Co in effect for the year ended December 31, 2006, has been designed to meet the requirements of the quality control standards for an accounting and auditing practice established by the AICPA and was complied with during the year then ended to provide the Firm with reasonable assurance of conforming with professional standards.

*Postlethwaite & Netterville*

Baton Rouge, Louisiana  
May 3, 2007



Exhibit "B"



**KAFOURY, ARMSTRONG & CO.**  
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February 8, 2008

Mr. Larry Werner, City Manager  
Carson City  
201 N. Carson Street, Suite 3  
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Dear Mr. Larry Werner:

We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the nature and limitations of the services we are to provide for Carson City, Nevada.

We will apply the agreed-upon procedures, which the management of Carson City, Nevada has specified, listed in the attached schedule, to the Municipal Solid Waste Landfill (MSWL) operating record of Carson City, Nevada (the City) for the year ended June 30, 2008. This engagement is solely to assist management in evaluating the financial tests for assurances, of Chapter 444 of Nevada Administrative Code, Proposed Temporary Regulation of the Nevada State Environmental Commission, Petition 97001. Our engagement to apply agreed-upon procedures will be conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described in the attached schedule either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose. If, for any reason, we are unable to complete the procedures, we will describe any restrictions on the performance of the procedures in our report, or will not issue a report as a result of this engagement.

Because the agreed-upon procedures listed in the attached schedule do not constitute an examination, we will not express an opinion on the MSWL operating record or on the City's compliance with the record keeping and reporting requirements of Chapter 444 of Nevada Administrative Code, Proposed Temporary Regulation of the Nevada State Environmental Commission, Petition 97001. In addition, we have no obligation to perform any procedures beyond those listed in the attached schedule.

We will submit a report listing the procedures performed and our findings. This report is solely for the use of management and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties. Our report will contain a paragraph indicating that had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We plan to begin our procedures during October 2008 and, unless unforeseeable problems are encountered, the engagement should be completed no later than November 30, 2008. At the conclusion of our engagement, we will require a representation letter from management that, among other things, will confirm management's responsibility for the MSWL operating record and for compliance with the record keeping and reporting requirements of Chapter 444 of Nevada Administrative Code, Proposed Temporary Regulation of the Nevada State Environmental Commission, Petition 97001.

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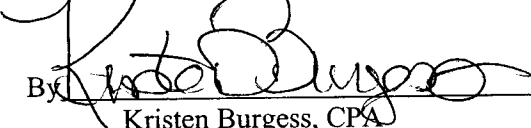
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Our fee for these services will be at our standard hourly rates plus out-of-pocket costs (such as report reproduction, typing, postage, travel, copies, etc.). We estimate the fee to be \$2,350. This fee estimate is based on anticipated cooperation from your personnel and the assumption that unexpected circumstances will not be encountered during the engagement. If significant additional time is necessary, we will discuss it with you and arrive at a new fee estimate before we incur the additional costs.

Our invoices for fees will be rendered periodically as work progresses and are payable on presentation. In accordance with our firm policies, work may be suspended if your account becomes 30 days or more overdue and will not be resumed until your account is paid in full. In addition, it is our policy to assess a finance charge of one and a half percent (1.5%) per month on all accounts past due more than 30 days. This represents an annual percentage rate of eighteen percent (18%). If we elect to terminate our services for nonpayment, our engagement will be deemed to have been completed even if we have not completed our report. You will be obligated to compensate us for all time expended and to reimburse us for all out-of-pocket expenditures through the date of termination.

We appreciate the opportunity to assist you and believe this letter accurately summarizes the significant terms of our engagement. If you have any questions, please let us know. If you agree with the terms of our engagement as described in this letter, please sign the enclosed copy and return it to us. If the need for additional services arises, our agreement with you will need to be revised. It is customary for us to enumerate these revisions in an addendum to this letter. If additional specified users of the report are added, we will require that they acknowledge in writing their responsibility for the sufficiency of procedures.

Very truly yours,  
KAFOURY, ARMSTRONG & CO.

By:   
Kristen Burgess, CPA  
Engagement Shareholder

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RESPONSE:

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of Carson City, Nevada.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

CARSON CITY AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES REPORT  
ATTACHMENT

1. We will confirm that the City's bond rating satisfies the conditions of subsection 1(a) of Section 2 of NAC Chapter 444; therefore, testing of the financial ratios in subsection 1(b) of Section 2 of NAC Chapter 444 is not required.
2. We will report that we audited the financial statements of Carson City, Nevada for the year ended June 30, 2008, and that the financial statements were prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We will further report that we issued an unqualified opinion on the financial statements.
3. Based on information contained in the financial statements of Carson City, Nevada for the years ended June 30, 2008 and 2007, we will determine if the City has operated at a deficit equal to five percent or more of total annual revenue in either of the past two fiscal years.
4. We will perform calculations using the audited financial statements of Carson City, Nevada as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008 to assist management in evaluating if the City's total revenue was adequate to assure the total estimated costs of closure and post closure.