

State of Alabama)

County of Baldwin)

### CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

This Contract for **Professional Services** is made and entered into by and between the County of Baldwin (hereinafter called "COUNTY") acting by and through its governing body, the Baldwin County Commission and Nitorco, Inc., (hereinafter referred to as "PROVIDER").

The Request for Proposals specifications are fully set forth as part of this Contract.

#### WITNESSETH:

**Whereas**, at its regular meeting on November 16, 2021, the COUNTY authorized staff to solicit a Request a Proposals (RFP) for Property Tax Software Solution; and

**Whereas**, the PROVIDER responded to the Request for Proposals (RFP) and was chosen by the COUNTY to provide the needed services in accordance with the Request for Proposals (RFP) and Response.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the premises and the mutual covenants herein contained, the sufficiency of which being hereby acknowledged, PROVIDER and COUNTY do hereby agree as follows:

**I. Definitions.** The following terms shall have the following meanings:

- A. COUNTY: Baldwin County, Alabama
- B. COMMISSION: Baldwin County Commission
- C. PROVIDER: Nitorco, Inc.

**II. Obligations Generally.** The COUNTY hereby retains, and the PROVIDER agrees to perform for the COUNTY, those professional services as hereinafter set forth. This document shall serve as the binding contract for the services of PROVIDER. PROVIDER shall immediately commence performance of the services outlined herein upon full execution of this Contract. All work shall be commenced and completed in a timely manner as, and at the times, herein set out.

**III. Recitals Included.** The above recitals and statements are incorporated as part of this Contract and shall have the effect and enforceability as all other provisions herein.

**IV. Professional Qualifications.** For the purpose of this Contract, the PROVIDER represents and warrants to the COUNTY that it possesses the professional, technical, and administrative personnel with the specific experience and training necessary to provide the professional services required herein.

**V. No Prohibited Exclusive Franchise.** The COUNTY neither perceives nor intends, by this Contract, a granting of an exclusive franchise or violation of Art. I, Section 22 of the Alabama Constitution.

**VI. Representation/Warranty of Certifications, Etc.** PROVIDER represents and warrants that PROVIDER is presently certified, licensed and otherwise permitted under all necessary and applicable laws and regulations to perform the services herein, and that PROVIDER shall renew, maintain, and otherwise ensure that all such certifications, licenses, and permits are current and valid, without interruption, for and through completion of the services. The representation and warranty aforesaid is a material inducement to the COUNTY in entering this Contract, and the parties agree that the breach thereof shall be deemed material at the County's option.

**VII. Legal Compliance.** PROVIDER shall at all times comply with all applicable federal, State, local and municipal laws and regulations.

**VIII. Independent Contractor.** PROVIDER acknowledges that it is an independent contractor, and PROVIDER shall at all times remain as such in performing the services under this Contract. PROVIDER is not an employee, servant, partner, or agent of the COUNTY and has no authority, whether express or implied, to contract for or bind the COUNTY in any manner. The parties agree that PROVIDER shall be solely responsible for and shall have full and unqualified control over developing and implementing its own means and methods, as it deems necessary and appropriate in providing the aforementioned services, and that the COUNTY's interests herein are expressly limited to the results of said services. PROVIDER is not entitled to unemployment insurance benefits, and PROVIDER is responsible for and obligated to pay any and all federal and state income tax on any monies paid pursuant to this Contract.

**IX. No Agency Created.** It is neither the express nor the implied intent of PROVIDER or COUNTY to create an agency relationship pursuant to this Contract. Therefore, the PROVIDER does not in any manner act on behalf of COUNTY, and the creation of such a relationship is prohibited and void.

**X. Unenforceable Provisions.** If any one or more of the provisions contained herein shall, for any reason, be held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect, then such provision or provisions shall be deemed severable from the remaining provisions hereof, and such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision hereof. This Contract shall



**XVI. Services to be Rendered.** PROVIDER is retained by the COUNTY as a professionally qualified **contractor**. The general scope of work for the services shall include all the terms and Conditions of **"Request for Proposals,"** the same being expressly incorporated herein by reference, and without limitation will encompass:

**"All provision and conditions and/or specifications listed/stated in the Request for Proposals for Property Tax Software for the Baldwin County Commission."**

- A. PROVIDER will provide ongoing communications with COUNTY regarding this service, including updates, emails and etc. as requested. Additionally, PROVIDER will meet with COUNTY as needed or requested.
- B. PROVIDER is responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, timely completion and coordination of all services furnished by or in relation to this Contract.
- C. PROVIDER represents and warrants that its services shall be performed within the limits and standards provided by the COUNTY, in a manner consistent with the level of care and skill ordinarily exercised by similar providers under similar circumstances at the time the services are performed.

**XVII. General Responsibilities of the COUNTY.**

- A. The COUNTY shall provide reasonable notice to PROVIDER whenever the COUNTY actually observes or otherwise actually becomes aware of any development that affects the scope or time of PROVIDER's services hereunder or any defect or nonconformance in the work of PROVIDER.
- B. The COUNTY shall pay to PROVIDER the compensation as, and subject to the terms set out below.

**XVIII. Termination of Services.** The COUNTY or PROVIDER may terminate this contract, with or without cause or reason, by giving thirty (30) days written notice of such to the other party. Upon receipt of such notices, PROVIDER shall discontinue its work to the extent specified in the notice.

In the event of termination, the COUNTY shall pay PROVIDER for all services satisfactorily rendered, and for any expenses deemed by COUNTY to be a reimbursable expense incurred pursuant to this Contract and prior to the date of termination.

**XIX. Compensation Limited.** The compensation to be paid to the PROVIDER shall be the full compensation for all work performed by PROVIDER under this

Contract. Any and all additional expenditures or expenses of PROVIDER, not listed in full within this Contract, shall not be considered as a part of this Contract and shall not be demanded by PROVIDER or paid by COUNTY.

**XX. Direct Expenses.** Compensation to PROVIDER for work shall be paid per "**ATTACHMENT A**". Said compensation shall be all inclusive, including without limitation, reimbursement of all cost, incidentals and operating expense associated with those directly engaged in performance of the requested services

**XXI. Method of Payment.** PROVIDER shall submit invoices to the COUNTY for payment for work performed. Such invoice shall be accompanied by a detailed account of compensation to be paid PROVIDER.

Payment shall be made by the COUNTY within thirty (30) days of the approval of the invoice submitted by the PROVIDER. The COUNTY agrees to review and approve invoices submitted for payment in a timely manner.

**XXII. Effective and Termination Dates.** This Contract shall be effective for twelve (12) months and commence immediately upon the same date as its full execution, with an option to issue two (2) additional twelve (12) month contracts or extend the first contract until such time that a new contract can be bid and awarded. Any additional contract or extensions will be at the same prices, terms and conditions. Any successive contract(s) must have the written approval of both the County and the Provider no later than thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the original contract. [Nothing herein stated shall prohibit the parties from otherwise terminating this Contract according to the provisions herein.]

**XXIII. Force Majeure.** The Parties hereto shall incur no liability to the other if performance becomes impossible or impracticable by reason of an event or effect that the parties could neither have anticipated nor controlled. This allowance shall include both an act of nature and acts of third parties. Any costs that would otherwise be incurred and/or necessitated by the provisions herein shall be alleviated for either party by such event or effect.

**XXIV. Indemnification.** PROVIDER shall indemnify, defend and hold County, and its Commissioners, affiliates, employees, agents, and representatives (collectively referred to in this Section XXIV as "COUNTY") harmless from and against any and all claims, demands, liabilities, damages, losses, judgments, costs, and expenses including, without limitations, attorneys' fees, and costs, for any and all personal injury (including death) and property damage of any kind or nature whatsoever, incurred by, asserted against, or imposed upon COUNTY, as a result of or in any manner related to provision of services hereunder, or any act or omission, by PROVIDER. PROVIDER shall provide the COUNTY with proof of general liability coverage including the COUNTY as an additional insured. This indemnification shall survive the expiration or termination of this Contract.

**XXV. Number of Originals.** This Contract shall be executed with three (3) originals, each of which are equally valid as an original.

**XXVI: Governing Law:** This Contract in all respects, including without limitation its formation, validity, construction, enforceability and available remedies, shall be governed by the laws of the State of Alabama, without regard to Alabama conflict of law principles.

**XXVII: Insurance:** Prior to performing services pursuant to this Contract, Provider shall carry, with insurers satisfactory to County, throughout the term of hereof, Auto Liability Insurance, including owned, hired and non-owned vehicles, with limits of not less than \$1,000,000, combined single limit, for both bodily injury liability and property damage liability each occurrence; Commercial General Liability Insurance, including all contractual liability hereunder, with limits not less than \$1,000,000, combined single limit, for both bodily injury liability and property damage liability each occurrence; and Worker's Compensation Insurance, meeting the statutory limits of the State of Alabama and Employer's Liability Insurance fully covering all employees and supervisors participating in the work at the subject property site. All liability insurance shall name the County as an additional insured. Prior to commencing operations hereunder, a Certificate of Insurance evidencing such coverage, satisfactory to County, shall be furnished to County, which shall specifically state that such insurance shall provide for at least ten (10) days' notice to County in the event of cancellation, termination or any change in such insurance policies. The workers compensation certificate shall bear an endorsement clearly evidencing a waiver of the right of subrogation against County and County Representatives. Should Provider fail to furnish current evidence upon demand of any insurance required hereunder, or in the event of cancellation, termination or change in any such insurance, County may, at its option, suspend this Contract until insurance is obtained, terminate this Contract immediately without further action, or hold Provider in material default and pursue any and all remedies available.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Contract on the last day of execution by the COUNTY as written below.

COUNTY  
  
JAMES E. BALL, Chairman  
2/15/2022  
/Date

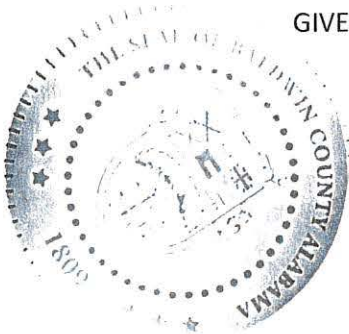
ATTEST:  
  
WAYNE DYESS,  
County Administrator  
2/15/2022  
/Date

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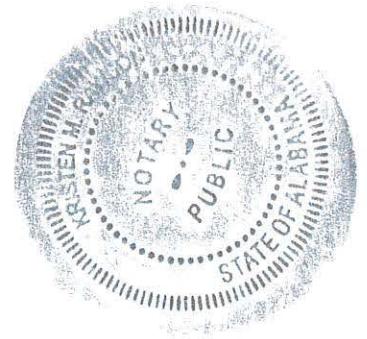
County of Baldwin )

I, Kristen M. Rawson, a Notary Public in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that, James E. Ball, whose name as Chairman of Baldwin County Commission, and Wayne Dyess, whose name as County Administrator, are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the Contract for Professional Services, they, as such officers and with full authority, executed same knowingly and with full authority to do so on behalf of said Commission.

GIVEN under my hand and seal on this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022.



  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires  
My Commission Expires:  
December 28, 2024



**SIGNATURE AND NOTARY PAGE TO FOLLOW**

PROVIDER:

Nitorco, Inc.

[Signature] / 2-10-2022  
By G Lewis Velante III /Date  
Its President

State of Georgia  
County of Carroll

I, Julia Outon, Notary Public in and for said County and State, hereby certify that Gredy Lewis Velante III as President of Nitorco, Inc., whose name is signed to the foregoing in that capacity, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the foregoing, he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date for and as an act of said Nitorco, Inc.

GIVEN under my hand and seal on this the 10 day of Feb., 2022.

[Signature]  
Notary Public, \_\_\_\_\_  
My Commission Expires 3.5.24





V. Cost Schedules

**Cost Statement:**

This cost schedule has been developed based on the Requirements section noted in this RFP. Nitorco, Inc. will not be billing on an hourly rate for items disclosed in the Cost of Modifications schedule below.

- I. **Total Cost - \$688,000**
  - II. **Cost of Baseline Software - \$400,000**
    - o Includes CAMA, Personal Property, Collections/Billing, Online Public Website
  - III. **Cost of Modifications - \$0.00/Included in Baseline Software**
    - o Items 17, 18, and 26 under Collections will be included in the Baseline Cost.
    - o Item 3 under Mapping will be included in the Baseline Cost.
  - IV. **On-Going Maintenance - \$288,000 Three Year Cost/\$96,000 per year**
  - V. **Implementation - \$25,000 (Conversion of Additional Years; Training \$1,000 per additional day)**
    - o Nitorco will provide 20 training days under the cost of the baseline software. Additional days on top of that will be billed at \$1,000 per day.
    - o Conversion: Nitorco will provide all prior years located in the Tax Receipt file from Delta. Nitorco will also provide up to 5 years of Appraisal data in the initial conversion to be covered by the Baseline Cost. If prior years of Appraisal data conversion is needed going back beyond 5 years, the cost will be a flat fee of \$25,000.
  - VI. **Other Cost - N/A**
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