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January 26, 2021 Project No. PF0350.03.01

Pat Albaugh Port of Skamania 212 SW Cascade Ave. Stevenson, WA 98648

Re: Redistricting: Port Commissioner Districts

Dear Mr. Albaugh,

Maul Foster Alongi (MFA) appreciates the opportunity to submit this proposal to perform a redistricting analysis and provide boundary recommendations for the Port's commissioner districts, in accordance with RCW 29A.76.010 for the Port of Skamania (the Port).

## SCOPE OF WORK

### Task 1—Data collection

This task consists of collecting all data required for the redistricting analysis, converting files to the appropriate format, and performing data cleaning and standardization procedures to ensure accuracy.

- Collect 2020 Census Block Group data files from the Port.
  - Note Under RCW 29A.76.010 the WA State Redistricting Commission is required to forward the necessary data to the Port within 45 days after its receipt of the federal decennial census information.
- Collect the Port's existing district and commissioner boundary data from the Port.
- Collect any additional information or data from the Port that should be included or considered in the analysis.
- Convert the Port's existing boundary data into the appropriate format.
- Perform any necessary data cleaning operations to ensure an accurate redistricting analysis.

# Task 2—Redistricting analysis

MFA will utilize our custom analytical and GIS models to perform the redistricting analysis and identify commissioner district boundaries that meet the requirements of RCW 29A.76.010.

 To the best of our ability, MFA will identify commissioner district boundaries that ensure compliance with WA chapter 113, Laws of 2018 and all applicable federal law.

# Task 3—Boundary review meeting

MFA will schedule an online virtual meeting between the MFA project team and the Port to review the commissioner district boundary options identified by the redistricting analysis. During the meeting, the Port will have the opportunity to suggest changes to the boundary options. The MFA team will make any suggested boundary changes during the meeting and will recalculate population and other metrics to ensure the changes conform with state and federal laws.

- Online virtual meeting between MFA project team and the Port.
- Edit boundary options as suggested by the Port.
- Recalculate metrics to ensure compliance with state and federal laws.

# Task 3—Finalize and deliver new commissioner district boundary data files

At the conclusion of the boundary review meeting, MFA will deliver copies of the new commissioner district boundaries to the Port. Additionally, MFA will provide the Port with a link to the public version of a dashboard that illustrates the boundary changes.

#### **Deliverables**

- GIS shapefile of the new commissioner district boundaries.
- PDF map of the new commissioner district boundaries.
- A document listing the data sources used in the analysis.
- URL link to a public-facing dashboard that illustrates the changes to the commissioner district boundaries.

#### BUDGET

The cost to perform the proposed work is \$5,000.00. This cost represents a flat rate to be paid by the Port at the conclusion of the project.

The cost and scope of work are based on information available to MFA at this time. If conditions change, unforeseen circumstances are encountered, or work efforts are redirected, the cost may require modification.

# **Optional tasks**

The optional tasks described below are not included in the budget. If the Port requests MFA perform any of the optional tasks, MFA will bill the Port for the requested tasks on a time and materials basis according to the rates included in the attached schedule of charges.

# Optional Task 1—Procedural guidance

If requested, MFA may provide the Port with procedural guidance beyond the scope of the required redistricting analysis. This guidance will ensure that all the necessary protocols are

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followed, deadlines are met, and information is delivered to the appropriate parties throughout the redistricting process.

# Optional Task 2—Stakeholder engagement & communications

At the request of the Port, MFA may provide stakeholder engagement and communications services. These services will help to develop public trust, promote transparency and demonstrate good-faith by the Port to develop fair and legal commissioner boundaries.

# Optional Task 3—Redistricting web-portal

If requested by the Port, MFA will develop a public-facing web-portal to display a map of the new commissioner district boundaries, a public comment form, a redistricting process schedule and any other materials deemed relevant by the Port.

## **SCHEDULE**

MFA will begin work within 30 days of the Port's receipt of the 2020 census data from the Washington State Redistricting Commission.

After you have reviewed this submittal, please indicate your approval of the proposal by signing below and returning the document to us as electronic or hard copy. Please retain a copy for your records.

Sincerely,

Tyler Vick Principal

Attachments: Schedule of Charges

General Terms and Conditions

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The above proposal, including all attachments, has been read and understood and is hereby agreed to and accepted. It is agreed that the attached "Schedule of Charges," "General Terms and Conditions" (which contains a limitation of liability provision), and Addendum(s), if any, form an express part of the Contract, as evidenced by my signature below:

Port of Skamania			
Ву	ura,	Date	
Name	(please print)	Title	



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# **SCHEDULE OF CHARGES**

# PERSONNEL CHARGES

Principal	\$200 – 250/hour
Senior	
Project	\$140 – 155/hour
Staff	
Analyst	\$135 – 145/hour
Technician/Design	
Administrative Support	

Depositions and expert witness testimony, including preparation time, will be charged at 200 percent of the above rates.

Travel time will be charged in accordance with the above rates.

## **SUBCONTRACTORS**

Charges for subcontractors will be billed at cost plus 15 percent.

## **EXPENSES**

Charges for outside services, equipment, and facilities not furnished directly by Maul Foster & Alongi, Inc. will be billed at cost plus 10 percent. Such charges may include, but shall not be limited to the following:

Printing and photographic reproduction Rented vehicles Transportation on public carriers Special fees, permits, insurance, etc. Rented equipment Shipping charges Meals and lodging Consumable materials

## DIRECT CHARGES

Vehicle per mile will be billed at \$0.75.

Charges for specialized software modeling and equipment are as specified in the scope of work.

Field equipment rates are set forth in the Field Equipment Rate Schedule.

The rates for document production are set forth in the Document Production Rate Schedule.

# **RATE CHANGES**

Schedule of Charges are subject to change without notice.



# **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

### **ARTICLE 1—PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**

MFA shall perform the Services specified in this Agreement consistent with the level of care and skill ordinarily exercised by other professional consultants under similar circumstances at the same time the Services are performed; subject, however, to any express limitations established by the CLIENT as to the degree of care and amount of time and expense to be incurred and any other limitations contained in this Agreement. No other representation, warranty or guaranty, express or implied, is included in or intended by this Agreement or any other of MFA's services, proposals, agreements or reports contemplated by this Agreement.

### ARTICLE 2—INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS; LEGAL RELATIONSHIP

The parties intend that MFA, in performing Services specified in this Agreement, shall act as an independent contractor and shall have control of its work and the manner in which it is performed. MFA shall be free to contract for similar services to be performed for other individuals or entities while it is under contract with CLIENT.

The parties further intend that nothing in this Agreement shall be construed or interpreted as requiring MFA to assume the status of an owner, operator, generator, person who arranges for disposal, transporter or storer, as those terms, or any other similar terms, are used in any federal, state or local statute, regulation, order or ordinance governing the treatment, storage, handling and disposal of any toxic or hazardous substance or waste.

### **ARTICLE 3—BILLING AND PAYMENT**

Invoices will be submitted monthly and shall be due and payable upon receipt. Payment shall be made to Maul Foster & Alongi, Inc. and delivered to:

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Interest at the rate of one and one-half percent (1.5%) per month, but not exceeding the maximum rate allowable by law, shall be payable on any amounts that are due but unpaid within thirty (30) days from receipt of invoice, payment to be applied first to accrued late payment charges and then to the principal unpaid amount. MFA may, at its option, withhold delivery of reports and any other data pending receipt of payment for services rendered. Remittance will be mailed to MFA at the address noted on such invoices or as MFA may otherwise advise.

#### **ARTICLE 4—LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

CLIENT agrees to limit the liability of MFA, its officers, directors, shareholders, employees, agents and representatives (the "MFA Parties") to CLIENT for all claims and legal proceedings of any type arising out of or relating to the performance of Services under this Agreement (including, but not limited to, MFA's breach of the Agreement, its professional negligence, errors and omissions and other acts) to the greater of \$100,000 or the amount of MFA's Fee. Failure of CLIENT to give written notice to MFA of any claim of negligent act, error or omission within one (1) year of performance shall constitute a waiver of such claim by CLIENT. In no event shall MFA be liable for any direct, special or consequential loss or damages. MFA is solely responsible for performance of this contract, and no affiliated company, director, officer, employee, or agent shall have any legal responsibility hereunder, whether in contract or tort, including negligence.

#### ARTICLE 5—INDEMNIFICATION

Subject to the limitation of liability above, MFA shall indemnify, defend and hold CLIENT harmless from the proportionate share of any claim, suit, liability, damage, injury, cost or expense, including attorneys fees, or other loss (hereafter collectively called "Loss") arising out of (a) MFA Parties' breach of this Agreement or (b) MFA Parties' willful misconduct or negligence in connection with the performance of the Services under this Agreement.

CLIENT agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless MFA Parties from any Loss arising out of (a) CLIENT's breach of the Agreement, or (b) CLIENT's willful misconduct or negligence in connection with performance of the Agreement. To the extent such Loss is caused by MFA's negligence, CLIENT shall indemnify, defend, and hold MFA harmless from the proportional share of the Loss resulting from the acts or negligence of others.

#### ARTICLE 6—TERM OF AGREEMENT; TERMINATION

The obligations of the parties to indemnify and the limitations on liability set forth in this Agreement shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE 7—TIME OF PERFORMANCE/FORCE MAJEURE

MFA makes no warranties regarding the time of completion of Services, and shall not be in default of performance under this Agreement where such performance is prevented, suspended or delayed by any cause beyond MFA's control.

Neither party will hold the other responsible for damages for delays in performance caused by acts of God or other events beyond the control of the other party and which could not have been reasonably foreseen or prevented. If such events occur, it is agreed that both parties will use their best efforts to overcome all difficulties arising and to resume as soon as reasonably possible performance of Services under this Agreement. Delays within the scope of this provision will extend the contract completion date for specified services commensurately or will, at the option of either party, make this Agreement subject to termination or to renegotiation.

#### **ARTICLE 8—SUSPENSION OF SERVICES**

CLIENT may suspend further performances of Services by MFA by ten (10) days prior written notice. If payment of invoices by CLIENT is not maintained on a thirty (30) day current basis, MFA may suspend further performance until such payment is restored to a current basis. Suspensions for any reason exceeding thirty (30) days will, at the option of MFA, make this Agreement subject to termination or renegotiation.

All suspensions will extend the contract completion date for specified services commensurately, and MFA will be paid for services performed to the suspension date plus suspension charges. Suspension charges are defined as those charges relating to costs incurred which are directly attributable to suspension of services, including, but not limited to, personnel rescheduling, equipment rescheduling, and/or reassignment adjustments.

### **ARTICLE 9—CHANGED CONDITIONS**

If, during the course of the performance of the Services under this Agreement, conditions or circumstances develop or are discovered which were not contemplated by MFA at the commencement of this Agreement, and which materially affect MFA's ability to perform the Services or which would materially increase the costs to MFA of performing the Services, then MFA shall notify the CLIENT in writing of the newly discovered conditions or circumstances, and CLIENT and MFA shall renegotiate in good faith the terms and conditions of this Agreement. If amended terms and conditions cannot be agreed upon within thirty (30) days after the mailing of such notice, MFA may terminate the Agreement and be compensated as set forth in the section of this Agreement entitled TERM OF AGREEMENT; TERMINATION.

#### **ARTICLE 10—INSURANCE**

MFA agrees to use its best efforts to maintain Professional Liability, Commercial General Liability, Automobile Liability, statutory Worker's Compensation and Employers' Liability insurance coverage during the period of performance of services hereunder in the following minimum amounts:

## LIMITS OF LIABILITY

A. Worker's Compensation Employer's Liability Statutory \$1,000,000

B. Commercial General Liability
(including Contractual Liability)
Bodily Injury
Property Damage

\$1,000,000 combined single limits for each occurrence or aggregate

### LIMITS OF LIABILITY

C. Comprehensive Automobile Liability
(Owned, Hired, and Non-owned Vehicles)
Bodily Injury
Property Damage

\$1,000,000 combined single limits for each occurrence or aggregate

D. Professional Liability:

\$1,000,000 combined single limits for each occurrence or aggregate

At CLIENT's request, insurance certificates will be provided by MFA to evidence such coverages.

# **ARTICLE 11—HAZARDOUS OR UNSAFE CONDITIONS**

CLIENT has fully informed MFA of the type, quantity, and location of any hazardous, toxic, or dangerous materials or unsafe or unhealthy conditions which CLIENT knows or has reason to suspect exists at all real property where the Services are to be performed (the "Project Site"). CLIENT shall immediately inform MFA when it becomes aware of any new information as to the foregoing which may affect the project, such as information to constitute a CHANGED CONDITION subject to the provisions of Article 9 of this Agreement.

MFA shall not be responsible for the health and safety of any persons other than the MFA Parties, nor shall have any responsibility for the operations, procedures or practices of persons or entities other than the MFA Parties.

## ARTICLE 12-RIGHT OF ENTRY AND UNAVOIDABLE DAMAGES

Client agrees to grant or arrange for right of entry when deemed necessary by MFA to perform the Services at the Project Site, whether or not the Project Site is owned by CLIENT. CLIENT recognizes that the use of investigative equipment and practices may unavoidably alter conditions or affect the environment at the Project Site. While MFA will take all reasonable precautions to minimize damage to the Project Site, the cost of repairing any such damage shall be borne by CLIENT, and it is understood that the correction of such damage is not part of the Services or the Fee contemplated by this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 13—SUBCONTRACTORS**

MFA may, in its sole discretion, subcontract for the services of others without obtaining CLIENT's consent where MFA deems it necessary or desirable to have others perform certain services. If MFA, in its sole discretion, deems it necessary or desirable to obtain Client's advance concurrence as to any proposed subcontract, MFA may make a written request to CLIENT to review the qualifications and suggested scope of work to be performed by such proposed subcontractor and CLIENT shall either grant or deny such concurrence within a reasonable time after receipt of such request.

# **ARTICLE 14—OWNERSHIP AND REUSE OF DOCUMENTS**

All documents furnished by MFA pursuant to this Agreement are instruments of MFA's services. MFA may retain an ownership and property interest therein, and MFA shall, in its sole discretion, have the right to dispose of or retain all such documents. Such documents are not intended or represented to be suitable for reuse by CLIENT or others. Any such reuse without specific written verification and adaptation by MFA for the specific purpose intended will be at the reuser's sole risk and without liability or legal exposure to MFA. Any transfer of electronic data hereunder is solely for Client's convenience "as is" without warranty as to contents, and is not the project deliverable unless specifically agreed to the contrary. MFA disclaims all warranties express or implied with regard to any electronic data provided hereunder, including any warranties of mechantability or fitness for a particular purpose.

## **ARTICLE 15—NO THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES**

There are no third party beneficiaries of this Agreement, and no third party shall be entitled to rely upon any work performed or reports prepared by MFA hereunder for any purpose whatsoever. CLIENT shall indemnify and hold MFA harmless against any liability to any third party for any Loss arising out of or relating to the reliance by any such third party on any work performed or reports issued by MFA hereunder.

#### **ARTICLE 16—DESIGNS AND DISCOVERIES**

In the course of providing Services to CLIENT, MFA may utilize or develop designs, ideas, discoveries, inventions, or improvements of these (collectively "Ideas"), made by the MFA Parties. CLIENT agrees that MFA's utilization or development

of such Ideas does not grant CLIENT any right in the form or ownership or license to such Ideas. All Ideas utilized or developed while providing CLIENT Services shall be deemed to be property of MFA.

#### **ARTICLE 17—LAWS AND REGULATIONS**

Both parties will be entitled to regard all applicable laws, rules, regulations and orders issued by any federal, state, regional or local regulatory body as valid and may act in accordance therewith until such time as the same may be modified or superseded by such regulatory body or invalidated by final judgment in a court of competent jurisdiction, unless prior to such final judicial determination, the effectiveness of such law, rule or regulation has been stayed by an appropriate judicial or administrative body having jurisdiction.

In the event there are changes in existing laws, codes, regulations, orders or ordinances, or the interpretation thereof, following the performance of professional services, CLIENT agrees to defend, indemnify and hold MFA harmless from any and all claims, including claims for fines or penalties imposed, resulting from or alleged to have resulted from noncompliance with or nonincorporation of such changes in professional services prior to the effectiveness of such changes.

#### **ARTICLE 18—ASSIGNMENT**

Neither party to this Agreement may delegate, assign, or otherwise transfer its rights and interests or duties and obligations under this Agreement without prior written consent of the other party.

### **ARTICLE 19—ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS**

If any action or proceeding is commenced to enforce or interpret any of the terms or conditions of this Agreement or the performance thereof, including the collection of any payments due hereunder, the prevailing party will be entitled to recover all reasonable attorneys' fees, costs and expenses, including staff time at current billing rates, court costs, and other claim-related expenses.

If MFA is requested to respond to any mandatory orders for the production of documents or witnesses on CLIENT's behalf regarding work performed by MFA, CLIENT agrees to pay all costs and expenses incurred by MFA not reimbursed by others in responding to such order, including attorney's fees, staff time at current billing rates and reproduction expenses.

#### **ARTICLE 20—GOVERNING LAW**

This Agreement shall be subject to, interpreted and enforced according to the laws of the State from which MFA's services are procured.

### **ARTICLE 21—SEVERABILITY**

Any provision of this Agreement held in violation of any law will be deemed stricken and all remaining provisions shall continue valid and binding upon the parties. The parties will attempt in good faith to replace any invalid or unenforceable provision(s) of this Agreement with provisions which are valid and enforceable and which come as close as possible to expressing the intention of the original provisions.

# **ARTICLE 22—ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between CLIENT and MFA. It supersedes any and all prior written or oral agreements, negotiations, or proposals, or contemporaneous communications with respect to the subject matter hereof, and has not been induced by any representations, statements, or agreements other than those herein expressed. No amendment to this Agreement hereafter made between the parties will be binding on either party unless reduced to writing and signed by authorized representatives of both parties.