

**DESOTO COUNTY
AGREEMENT AMENDMENT
FOR LOBBYING SERVICES AND NETWORKING OF GRANTS WITH
APPROPRIATIONS
BID NO. 14-27-00RFP**

THIS AMENDMENT is made this 29 day of October 2019, between the **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA**, a Political Subdivision of the State of Florida hereinafter referred to as ("COUNTY"); whose address is 201 E. Oak Street, Suite 201, Arcadia, Florida 34266; and **THE SOUTHERN GROUP OF FLORIDA INCORPORATED** a Corporation, authorized to do business in the State of Florida, hereinafter referred to as ("CONSULTANT"), whose address is 201 East Kennedy Boulevard, Suite 1950, Tampa, Florida 33602.

WHEREAS, an Agreement was entered into on the 19th day of November 2014, between COUNTY and CONSULTANT to render services described as Lobbying Services and Networking of Grants with Appropriations, and;

WHEREAS, the original Agreement entered into on the 19th day of November 2014, stated the Company name as **SOUTHERN STRATEGY GROUP OF TAMPA BAY, LLC ("SOUTHERN STRATEGY GROUP")**, and;

WHEREAS, in 2018 the Company changed its name to remove **SOUTHERN STRATEGY GROUP OF TAMPA BAY, LLC**, and amended its name to **SOUTHERN STRATEGY GROUP**, and;

WHEREAS, the Company has further amended its name to **THE SOUTHERN GROUP OF FLORIDA INCORPORATED** also changing from a Limited Liability Company to a Corporation, and;

WHEREAS, the original Agreement entered into on the 19th day of November 2014, stated a Time of Performance of an initial **One (1)** year period and shall be renewable, upon mutual consent of both parties, for **Five (5)** additional terms **One (1)** year at a time, and;

WHEREAS, this Agreement was amended on November 9th, 2015; November 8th, 2016; November 14th, 2017; December 3, 2018 and again on November 19, 2019,

utilizing the first four of the **Five (5)** additional **One (1)** year terms extending the Agreement to November 19th, 2019.

WHEREAS, the COUNTY and CONSULTANT desire to further amend the original Agreement entered into on the 19th day of November 2014, utilizing the **Fifth (5)** and final of the **Five (5) One (1)** renewals and extend the Time of Performance to November 19th, 2020, with no changes or price increases. All other provisions of the original Agreement will remain in full effect as agreed, and;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter contained, the parties hereto agree to amend the original Agreement to render services described as Lobbying Services and Networking of Grants with Appropriations.

SECTION 1. INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE. The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby incorporated by reference and affirmed and ratified by the parties as true, and;

SECTION 2. TIME OF PERFORMANCE.

1. As stated in the original Agreement entered into on the 19th day of November 2014, Section 4, "**TIME OF PERFORMANCE**" is hereby amended to read:

By the signing of this Addendum, the CONSULTANT hereby agrees to fully and completely perform the Scope of Services until November 19th, 2020.

The CONSULTANT shall comply with all specific completion dates and sequences indicated in the Scope of Services. In the event the Work is entirely or partly suspended, delayed, or otherwise hindered by any cause whatsoever, the CONSULTANT shall make no claims for additional compensation or damages owing to such suspensions, delays or hindrances. Such suspensions, delays or hindrances may only be compensated for by an extension of time as the COUNTY may decide. However, such extension shall not operate as a waiver of any rights of the COUNTY.

SECTION 3. All other provisions of the November 19th, 2014, Agreement shall remain in force and effect.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Amendment to the Agreement as of the 29 of October 2019.

ATTEST:

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA**

By: Mandy J. Hines
Mandy J. Hines
County Administrator

By: Judy Schaefer
Judy Schaefer
Chairman

BoCC Approved Oct. 22, 2013

Approved as to form and
Legal sufficiency:

Donald D. Conn
Donald D. Conn
County Attorney

Date: Oct. 7, 2013

WITNESSES:

[Signature]
R. Mickler

**THE SOUTHERN GROUP OF FLORIDA
INCORPORATED**

By: [Signature]

Printed Name: Laura Boehmer

Title: Partner