

WA2510

NOTE: This Project is using SRF Loan Funds and there are additional terms and conditions required to comply with the contract specifications. Please confirm all requirements are met and documents are included in your bid. This Project will comply with SRF requirements. In the event of a discrepancy between EJCDC contracting requirements and SRF contracting requirements, the SRF contracting requirements shall prevail.

APPROVED

By the Board of City Commissioners

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND CONTRACTOR
FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT (STIPULATED PRICE)**

This Agreement is by and between the City of Fargo ("Owner") and [Johnson & Schock Excavating, LLC] ("Contractor").

Terms used in this Agreement have the meanings stated in the General Conditions and the Supplementary Conditions.

Owner and Contractor hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1—WORK

- 1.01 Contractor shall complete all Work as specified or indicated in the Contract Documents. The Work is generally described as follows: **WATER SERVICE REPLACEMENT PROJECT 2026-07.**

ARTICLE 2—THE PROJECT

- 2.01 The Project, of which the Work under the Contract Documents is a part, is generally described as follows: **Water Service Replacement Project 2026-07**

ARTICLE 3—ENGINEER

- 3.01 The Owner has retained Houston Engineering, Inc. ("Engineer") to act as Owner's representative, assume all duties and responsibilities of Engineer, and have the rights and authority assigned to Engineer in the Contract.
- 3.02 The part of the Project that pertains to the Work has been designed by the Engineer.

ARTICLE 4—CONTRACT TIMES

4.01 *Time is of the Essence*

- A. All time limits for Milestones, if any, Substantial Completion, and completion and readiness for final payment as stated in the Contract Documents are of the essence of the Contract.

4.02 *Contract Times: Dates*

Project Start Date:

It is anticipated a notice to proceed will be issued between July 15 and August 3, 2026.

Substantial Completion Date: October 16, 2026

Substantial Completion shall consist of all work included in the contract and have roadway open to the public. See following provisions:

Final Completion Date: October 30, 2026

Final Completion shall include all remaining work items, punch list items, and cleanup.

Failure to meet completion dates will result in liquidated damages being applied per the contract based off the City of Fargo's current version of Liquidated Damages Schedule for Final Completion.

Additional Provisions for All Phases:

- The Contractor shall have 28 days from the start of service work to completion of permanent pavement patch per site.
- The Contractor shall have 1-day per site to complete the work and open the roadway to thru traffic utilizing temporary surface material.
- The Contractor will be allowed a 5-day closure for the installation of permanent pavement patch per identified site.
- Liquidated damages of \$350 per day per site will be assessed to the Contractor for failure to complete the work within the timelines described in the Additional Provisions.

4.03 Liquidated Damages

- A. Contractor and Owner agree that time is of the essence as stated in Paragraph 4.01 above and that Owner will suffer financial and other losses if the Work is not completed and Milestones not achieved within the Contract Times, as duly modified. The parties also recognize the delays, expense, and difficulties involved in proving, in a legal proceeding, the actual loss suffered by Owner if the Work is not completed on time. Accordingly, instead of requiring any such proof, Owner and Contractor agree that as liquidated damages for delay (but not as a penalty):
1. Substantial Completion: Contractor shall pay Owner the amount for each day that expires after the time (as duly adjusted pursuant to the Contract) as specified in Paragraph 4.02 above for Substantial Completion until the Work is substantially complete.
 2. Completion of Remaining Work: After Substantial Completion, if Contractor shall neglect, refuse, or fail to complete the remaining Work within the Contract Times (as duly adjusted pursuant to the Contract) for completion and readiness for final payment, Contractor shall pay Owner the amount as specified in Paragraph 4.02 above for each day that expires after such time until the Work is completed and ready for final payment. Liquidated damages for failing to timely attain Substantial Completion and final completion are not additive and will not be imposed concurrently.

ARTICLE 5—CONTRACT PRICE

- 5.01 Owner shall pay Contractor for completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents an amount in current funds equal to the sum of the amounts determined pursuant to Paragraphs 5.01.A and 5.01B below, subject to adjustment under the Contract:
- A. For all Unit Price Work, an amount equal to the sum of the extended prices (established for each separately identified item of Unit Price Work by multiplying the unit price times the actual quantity of that item).

The extended prices for Unit Price Work set forth as of the Effective Date of the Contract are based on estimated quantities. As provided in Paragraph 13.03 of the General Conditions, estimated quantities are not guaranteed, and determinations of actual quantities and classifications are to be made by Engineer.

- B. For all Work, at the prices stated in Contractor's Bid, attached hereto as an exhibit.

ARTICLE 6—PAYMENT PROCEDURES

6.01 Submittal and Processing of Payments

- A. Contractor shall submit Applications for Payment in accordance with Article 15 of the General Conditions. Applications for Payment will be processed by Engineer as provided in the General Conditions.

6.02 Progress Payments; Retainage

- A. Owner shall make progress payments on the basis of Contractor's Applications for Payment on a monthly during performance of the Work as provided in Paragraph 6.02.A.1 below, provided that such Applications for Payment have been submitted in a timely manner and otherwise meet the requirements of the Contract. All such payments will be measured by the Schedule of Values established as provided in the General Conditions (and in the case of Unit Price Work based on the number of units completed) or, in the event there is no Schedule of Values, as provided elsewhere in the Contract.
1. Owner may retain five percent (5%) of the amount due Contractor until the completion of the entire Contract work. In no case will the Owner make payment to a contractor who is in default under the terms of the Contract unless expressly authorized by the Board of City Commissioners.
 2. The retained amounts will be according to the following table:

Percentage of Completion	Percent Retained
0-90%	5%
91-100%	1-5%*
* Reduction of retainage is at the discretion of the Engineer based on the progress of the contract	

6.03 Final Payment

- A. Upon final completion and acceptance of the Work, Owner shall pay the remainder of the Contract Price in accordance with Paragraph 15.06 of the General Conditions.

6.04 Consent of Surety

- A. Owner will not make final payment or return or release retainage at Substantial Completion or any other time, unless Contractor submits written consent of the surety to such payment, return, or release.

6.05 *Interest*

- A. All amounts not paid when due shall bear interest at the rate of 1.5 percent per annum.

ARTICLE 7—CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

7.01 *Contents*

- A. The Contract Documents consist of all of the following:
1. This Agreement.
 2. Bonds:
 - a. Performance bond (together with power of attorney).
 - b. Payment bond (together with power of attorney).
 3. General Conditions.
 4. Supplementary Conditions.
 5. City of Fargo Standard Specifications as listed in the table of contents of the project manual (not attached but incorporated by reference).
 6. Drawings (not attached but incorporated by reference) with each sheet bearing the following general title: Water Service Replacement Project 2026-07.
 7. City of Fargo Standard Specifications for Construction (not attached but incorporated by reference).
 8. Addenda (numbers [none] to [none], inclusive).
 9. Exhibits to this Agreement (enumerated as follows):
 - a. Contractor's Bid
 10. The following which may be delivered or issued on or after the Effective Date of the Contract and are not attached hereto:
 - a. Notice to Proceed.
 - b. Work Change Directives.
 - c. Change Orders.
 - d. Field Orders.
- B. The Contract Documents listed in Paragraph 7.01.A are attached to this Agreement (except as expressly noted otherwise above).
- C. There are no Contract Documents other than those listed above in this Article 7.
- D. The Contract Documents may only be amended, modified, or supplemented as provided in the Contract.

ARTICLE 8—REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS, AND STIPULATIONS

8.01 *Contractor's Representations*

- A. In order to induce Owner to enter into this Contract, Contractor makes the following representations:
1. Contractor has examined and carefully studied the Contract Documents, including Addenda.
 2. Contractor has visited the Site, conducted a thorough visual examination of the Site and adjacent areas, and become familiar with the general, local, and Site conditions that may affect cost, progress, and performance of the Work.
 3. Contractor is familiar with all Laws and Regulations that may affect cost, progress, and performance of the Work.
 4. Contractor has carefully studied the reports of explorations and tests of subsurface conditions at or adjacent to the Site and the drawings of physical conditions relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at the Site that have been identified in the Supplementary Conditions, with respect to the Technical Data in such reports and drawings.
 5. Contractor has carefully studied the reports and drawings relating to Hazardous Environmental Conditions, if any, at or adjacent to the Site that have been identified in the Supplementary Conditions, with respect to Technical Data in such reports and drawings.
 6. Contractor has considered the information known to Contractor itself; information commonly known to contractors doing business in the locality of the Site; information and observations obtained from visits to the Site; the Contract Documents; and the Technical Data identified in the Supplementary Conditions or by definition, with respect to the effect of such information, observations, and Technical Data on (a) the cost, progress, and performance of the Work; (b) the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction to be employed by Contractor; and (c) Contractor's safety precautions and programs.
 7. Based on the information and observations referred to in the preceding paragraph, Contractor agrees that no further examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies, or data are necessary for the performance of the Work at the Contract Price, within the Contract Times, and in accordance with the other terms and conditions of the Contract.
 8. Contractor is aware of the general nature of work to be performed by Owner and others at the Site that relates to the Work as indicated in the Contract Documents.
 9. Contractor has given Engineer written notice of all conflicts, errors, ambiguities, or discrepancies that Contractor has discovered in the Contract Documents, and of discrepancies between Site conditions and the Contract Documents, and the written resolution thereof by Engineer is acceptable to Contractor.
 10. The Contract Documents are generally sufficient to indicate and convey understanding of all terms and conditions for performance and furnishing of the Work.

11. Contractor's entry into this Contract constitutes an incontrovertible representation by Contractor that without exception all prices in the Agreement are premised upon performing and furnishing the Work required by the Contract Documents.

8.02 Contractor's Certifications

- A. Contractor certifies that it has not engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, or coercive practices in competing for or in executing the Contract. For the purposes of this Paragraph 8.02:
 1. "corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value likely to influence the action of a public official in the bidding process or in the Contract execution;
 2. "fraudulent practice" means an intentional misrepresentation of facts made (a) to influence the bidding process or the execution of the Contract to the detriment of Owner, (b) to establish Bid or Contract prices at artificial non-competitive levels, or (c) to deprive Owner of the benefits of free and open competition;
 3. "collusive practice" means a scheme or arrangement between two or more Bidders, with or without the knowledge of Owner, a purpose of which is to establish Bid prices at artificial, non-competitive levels; and
 4. "coercive practice" means harming or threatening to harm, directly or indirectly, persons or their property to influence their participation in the bidding process or affect the execution of the Contract.

8.03 Standard General Conditions

- A. Owner stipulates that if the General Conditions that are made a part of this Contract are EJCDC® C-700, Standard General Conditions for the Construction Contract (2018), published by the Engineers Joint Contract Documents Committee, and if Owner is the party that has furnished said General Conditions, then Owner has plainly shown all modifications to the standard wording of such published document to the Contractor, through a process such as highlighting or "track changes" (redline/strikeout), or in the Supplementary Conditions.

ARTICLE 9—MISCELLANEOUS

9.01 Terms

- A. Terms used in this Agreement will have the meanings stated in the General Conditions and the Supplementary Conditions.

9.02 Assignment of Contract

- A. Unless expressly agreed to elsewhere in the Contract, no assignment by a party hereto of any rights under or interests in the Contract will be binding on another party hereto without the written consent of the party sought to be bound; and, specifically but without limitation, money that may become due and money that is due may not be assigned without such consent (except to the extent that the effect of this restriction may be limited by law), and unless specifically stated to the contrary in any written consent to an assignment, no assignment will release or discharge the assignor from any duty or responsibility under the Contract Documents.

9.03 *Successors and Assigns*

- A. Owner and Contractor each binds itself, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives to the other party hereto, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives in respect to all covenants, agreements, and obligations contained in the Contract Documents.

9.04 *Severability*

- A. Any provision or part of the Contract Documents held to be void or unenforceable under any Law or Regulation shall be deemed stricken, and all remaining provisions shall continue to be valid and binding upon Owner and Contractor, who agree that the Contract Documents shall be reformed to replace such stricken provision or part thereof with a valid and enforceable provision that comes as close as possible to expressing the intention of the stricken provision.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Owner and Contractor have signed this Agreement.

This Agreement will be effective on [Effective Date of the Contract).

6/19/2026

] (which is the

Owner:

(typed or printed name of organization)

By:

(individual's signature)

Date:

(date signed)

Name:

(typed or printed)

Title:

(typed or printed)

Attest:

(individual's signature)

Title:

(typed or printed)

Address for giving notices:

Designated Representative:

Name:

(typed or printed)

Title:

(typed or printed)

Address:

Contractor:

Johnson & Schock Excavating, LLC

(typed or printed name of organization)

By:

(individual's signature)

Date:

6/24/26

(date signed)

Name:

Josh Johnson

(typed or printed)

Title:

Owner

(typed or printed)

(If Johnson & Schock Excavating, LLC is a corporation, a partnership, or a joint venture, attach evidence of

Attest:

(individual's signature)

Title:

Owner

(typed or printed)

Address for giving notices:

4080 98th Ave. So
Fargo, ND 58104

Designated Representative:

Name:

Josh Johnson

(typed or printed)

Title:

Owner

(typed or printed)

Address:

Phone: _____

Email: _____

(If [Type of Entity] is a corporation, attach evidence of authority to sign. If City of Fargo is a public body, attach evidence of authority to sign and resolution or other documents authorizing execution of this Agreement.)

4080 98th Ave So.
Fargo, ND 58104

Phone: 701-282-3659

Email: jecho@johnson-schock.com

License No.: 57778
(where applicable)

State: ND Dakota

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CITY ATTORNEY



APPROVED

By the Board of City Commissioners

Bond # 7462598

PERFORMANCE BOND

The American Institute of Architects,
AIA Document No. A312 (December, 1984 Edition)
Any singular reference to Contractor, Surety, Owner or other
party shall be considered plural where applicable.

CONTRACTOR (Name and Address):

Johnson & Schock Excavating, LLC
4080 98th Ave S
Fargo, ND 58104

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

Date: 06/19/2026

Amount: \$559,431.00

Description (Name and Location): Water Service Replacement Project 2026-07
City Project No. - WA2510

BOND

Date (Not earlier than Construction Contract Date): 06/23/2026

Amount: \$559,431.00

Modifications to this Bond:

CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL

Company: (Corporate Seal)
Johnson & Schock Excavating, LLC

Signature: _____
Name and Title: Josh Johnson, Owner

(Any additional signatures appear on page 2.)

(FOR INFORMATION Only- Name, Address and Telephone)
AGENT or BROKER:

OWNER (Name and Address):

City of Fargo
225 4th Street North
Fargo, ND 58102

SURETY (Name and Principal Place of Business):

Old Republic Surety Company
1415 28th Street, Suite 420
West Des Moines, IA 50266

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☐ None

CITY ATTORNEY

☐ See Page 2

SURETY

Company: (Corporate Seal)
Old Republic Surety Company

Signature: _____
Name and Title: Pat A. Thomas, Attorney-in-Fact

OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE (Architect, Engineer or other
party):

1 The Contractor and the Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns to the Owner for the performance of the Construction Contract, which is incorporated herein by reference.

2 If the Contractor performs the Construction Contract, the Surety and the Contractor shall have no obligation under this Bond, except to participate in conferences as provided in Subparagraph 3.1.

3 If there is no Owner Default/ the Surety's obligation under this Bond shall arise after:

3.1 The Owner has notified the Contractor and the Surety at its address described in Paragraph 10 below that the Owner is considering declaring a Contractor Default and has requested and attempted to arrange a conference with the Contractor and the Surety to be held not later than fifteen days after receipt of such notice to discuss methods of performing the Construction Contract. If the Owner, the Contractor and the Surety agree, the Contractor shall be allowed a reasonable time to perform the Construction Contract, but such an agreement shall not waive the Owner's right, if any, subsequently to declare a Contractor Default; and

3.2 The Owner has declared a Contractor Default and formally terminated the Contractor's right to complete the contract. Such Contractor Default shall not be declared earlier than twenty days after the Contractor and Surety have received notice as provided in Subparagraph 3.1; and

3.3 The Owner has agreed to pay the Balance of the Contract Price to the Surety in accordance with the terms of the Construction Contract or to a contractor selected to perform the Construction Contract in accordance with the terms of the contract with the Owner.

4 When the Owner has satisfied the conditions of Paragraph 3, the Surety shall promptly and at the Surety's expense take one of the following actions:

4.1 Arrange for the Contractor with consent of the Owner, to perform and complete the Construction Contract; or

4.2 Undertake to perform and complete the Construction Contract itself, through its agents or through independent contractors; or

4.3 Obtain bids or negotiated proposals from qualified contractors acceptable to the Owner for a contract for performance and completion of the Construction Contract, arrange for a contract to be prepared for execution by the Owner and the contractor selected with the Owner's concurrence, to be secured with performance and payment bonds executed by a qualified surety equivalent to the bonds issued on the Construction Contract, and pay to the Owner the amount of damages as described in Paragraph 6 in excess of the Balance of the Contract Price incurred by the Owner resulting from the Contractor's default; or

4.4 Waive its right to perform and complete, arrange for completion, Or obtain a new contractor and with reasonable promptness under the circumstances:

- .1 After investigation, determine the amount for which it may be liable to the Owner and, as soon as practicable after the amount is determined, tender payment therefor to the Owner; or
- .2 Deny liability in whole or in part and notify the Owner citing reasons therefor.

5 If the Surety does not proceed as provided in Paragraph 4 with reasonable promptness, the Surety shall be deemed to be in default on this Bond fifteen days after receipt of an additional written notice from the Owner to the Surety demanding that the Surety perform its Obligations under this Bond, and the Owner shall be entitled to enforce any remedy available to the Owner. If the Surety proceeds as provided in Subparagraph 4.4, and the Owner refuses the payment tendered or the Surety has denied liability, in whole or in part, without further notice the Owner shall be entitled to enforce any remedy available to the Owner.

6 After the Owner has terminated the Contractor's right to complete the Construction Contract, and if the Surety elects to act under Subparagraph 4.1, 4.2, or 4.3 above, then the responsibilities of the Surety to the Owner shall not be greater than those of the Contractor under the Construction Contract, and the responsibilities of the Owner to the Surety shall not be greater than those of the Owner under the Construction Contract. To the limit of the amount of this Bond, but subject to commitment by the Owner of the Balance of the Contract Price to mitigation of costs and damages on the Construction Contract, the Surety is obligated without duplication for:

- 6.1 The responsibilities of the Contractor for correction of defective work and completion of the Construction Contract;
- 6.2 Additional legal design professional and delay costs resulting from the Contractor's Default, and resulting from the actions or failure to act of the Surety under Paragraph 4; and
- 6.3 Liquidated damages, or if no liquidated damages are specified in the Construction Contract. actual damages caused by delayed performance or non-performance of the Contractor.

7 The Surety shall not be liable to the Owner or others for obligations of the Contractor that are unrelated to the Construction Contract and the Balance of the Contract Price shall not be reduced or set off on account of any such unrelated obligations. No right of action shall

MODIFICATIONS TO THIS BOND ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(Space is provided below for additional signatures of added parties other than those appearing on the cover page.)

CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL Company: _____	(Corporate Seal)	SURETY Company: <u>Old Republic Surety Company</u>	(Corporate Seal)
Address: _____		Address: _____	
Name and Title: _____		Name and Title: _____	
Signature: _____		Signature: _____	

accrue on this Bond to any person or entity other than the Owner or its heirs, executors, administrators or successors.

8 The Surety hereby waives notice of any change, including changes of time, to the Construction Contract or to related subcontracts, purchase orders and other obligations.

9 Any proceeding, legal or equitable, under this Bond may be instituted in any court of competent jurisdiction in the location in which the work or part of the work is located and shall be instituted within two years after Contractor Default or within two years after the Contractor ceased working or within two years after the Surety refuses or fails to perform its obligations under this Bond, whichever occurs first. If the provisions of this Paragraph are void or prohibited by law, the minimum period of limitation available to sureties as a defense in the jurisdiction of the suit shall be applicable.

10 Notice to the Surety, the Owner or the Contractor shall be mailed or delivered to the address shown on the signature page.

11 When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location where the construction was to be performed, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory or legal requirement shall be deemed deleted herefrom and provisions conforming to such statutory or other legal requirement shall be deemed incorporated herein. The intent is that this Bond shall be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.

12 DEFINITIONS

12.1 Balance of the Contract Price The total amount payable by the Owner to the Contractor under the Construction Contract after all proper adjustments have been made, including allowance to the Contractor of any amounts received or to be received by the Owner in settlement of insurance or other claims for damages to which the Contractor is entitled, reduced by all valid and proper payments made to or on behalf of the Contractor under the Construction Contract.

12.2 Construction Contract: The agreement between the Owner and the Contractor identified on the signature page, including all Contract Documents and changes thereto.

12.3 Contractor Default: Failure of the Contractor, which has neither been remedied nor waived, to perform or otherwise to comply with the terms of the Construction Contract.

12.4 Owner Default: Failure of the Owner, which has neither been remedied nor waived, to pay the Contractor as required by the Construction Contract or to perform and complete or comply with the other terms thereof.

INDIVIDUAL

STATE OF _____ }
 COUNTY OF _____ } ss

On this _____ day of _____, _____, before me personally appeared _____ to me known and known to me to be the individual in and who executed the foregoing instrument and _____ acknowledged to me that _____ executed the same in his individual capacity.

 Notary Public

COPARTNERSHIP

STATE OF _____ }
 COUNTY OF _____ } ss

On this _____ day of _____, _____, before me personally appeared _____ to me known and known to me to be one of the firm of _____ described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and he/she thereupon acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same as and for the act and deed of said firm.

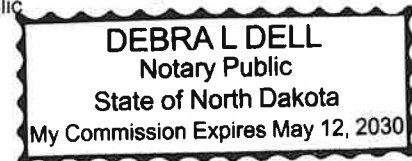
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CORPORATE

STATE OF North Dakota }
 COUNTY OF Cass } ss

On this 15th day of June, 2026, before me personally appeared Josh Johnson to me known, who, being by me first duly sworn, did depose and say that he/she resides in North Dakota; that he/she is the Owner of Johnson & Schock Excavating, LLC the corporation described in and which executed the foregoing instrument; that he/she knows the corporate seal of said corporation; that the corporate seal affixed to said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by order and authority of the Board of Directors of said corporation, and that he/she signed his/her name thereto by like order and authority.

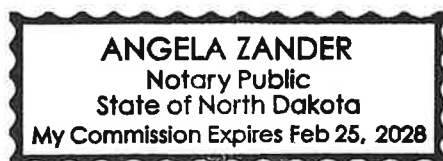
 Notary Public

**SURETY**

STATE OF North Dakota }
 COUNTY OF Burleigh } ss

I, Angela Zander Notary Public of Burleigh County, in the State of North Dakota do hereby certify that Pat A. Thomas Attorney-in-Fact, of the Old Republic Surety Company, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person, and acknowledged that he/she signed, sealed and delivered said instrument, for and on behalf of the Old Republic Surety Company, for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal at my office in the City of Bismarck in said County, this 23rd day of June, A.D. 2026.



 Notary Public



OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY, a Wisconsin stock insurance corporation, does make, constitute and appoint: **PAT A. THOMAS, MICHAEL J. THOMAS, JUSTIN P. THOMAS, BRANDI SCHLAUDERAFF, ANGELA ZANDER, MCKAYLA BLEWETT, JOANNA DUFFEY, MCKENZIE THOMAS, JENNA HALVERSON**

of BISMARCK, ND

its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, with full power and authority for and on behalf of the company as surety, to execute and deliver and affix the seal of the company thereto (if a seal is required), bonds, undertakings, recognizances or other written obligations in the nature thereof, **(other than bail bonds, bank depository bonds, mortgage deficiency bonds, mortgage guaranty bonds, guarantees of installment paper and note guaranty bonds, self-insurance workers compensation bonds guaranteeing payment of benefits, or black lung bonds)**, as follows:

ALL WRITTEN INSTRUMENTS

and to bind OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY thereby, and all of the acts of said Attorneys-in-Fact, pursuant to these presents, are ratified and confirmed. This appointment is made under and by authority of the board of directors at a special meeting held on February 18, 1982.

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the board of directors of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY on February 18, 1982.

RESOLVED that, the president, any vice-president or assistant vice president, in conjunction with the secretary or any assistant secretary, may appoint attorneys-in-fact or agents with authority as defined or limited in the instrument evidencing the appointment in each case, for and on behalf of the company to execute and deliver and affix the seal of the company to bonds, undertakings, recognizances, and suretyship obligations of all kinds; and said officers may remove any such attorney-in-fact or agent and revoke any Power of Attorney previously granted to such person.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or suretyship obligation shall be valid and binding upon the Company

- (i) when signed by the president, any vice president or assistant vice president, and attested and sealed (if a seal be required) by any secretary or assistant secretary; or
- (ii) when signed by the president, any vice president or assistant vice president, secretary or assistant secretary, and countersigned and sealed (if a seal be required) by a duly authorized attorney-in-fact or agent; or
- (iii) when duly executed and sealed (if a seal be required) by one or more attorneys-in-fact or agents pursuant to and within the limits of the authority evidenced by the Power of Attorney issued by the company to such person or persons.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the signature of any authorized officer and the seal of the company may be affixed by facsimile to any Power of Attorney or certification thereof authorizing the execution and delivery of any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or other suretyship obligations of the company; and such signature and seal when so used shall have the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be signed by its proper officer, and its corporate seal to be affixed this 26th day of October, 2023.

Karen J. Haffner
Assistant Secretary



OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY

Alan Pavlic
President

STATE OF WISCONSIN, COUNTY OF WAUKESHA - SS

On this 26th day of October, 2023, personally came before me, Alan Pavlic and Karen J Haffner, to me known to be the individuals and officers of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY who executed the above instrument, and they each acknowledged the execution of the same, and being by me duly sworn, did severally depose and say: that they are the said officers of the corporation aforesaid, and that the seal affixed to the above instrument is the seal of the corporation, and that said corporate seal and their signatures as such officers were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority of the board of directors of said corporation.



Kathryn R. Pearson
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: September 28, 2026

(Expiration of notary's commission does not invalidate this instrument)

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, assistant secretary of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY, a Wisconsin corporation, CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached Power of Attorney remains in full force and has not been revoked; and furthermore, that the Resolutions of the board of directors set forth in the Power of Attorney, are now in force.

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Signed and sealed at the City of Brookfield, WI this 23rd day of June, 2026.

Karen J. Haffner
Assistant Secretary



APPROVED

By the Board of City Commissioners

Bond # 7462598

PAYMENT BOND

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Johnson & Schock Excavating, LLC
4080 48th Ave. S
Fargo, ND 58104

SURETY (Name and Principal Place of Business):
Old Republic Surety Company
1415 28th Street, Suite 420
West Des Moines, IA 50266

OWNER (Name and Address):
City of Fargo
225 4th Street North
Fargo, ND 58102

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

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CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL

Company: Johnson & Schock Excavating, LLC (Corporate Seal)

Signature: 
Name and Title: Josh Johnson, Owner

SURETY

Company: Old Republic Surety Company (Corporate Seal)

Signature: 
Name and Title: Pat A. Thomas, Attorney-in-Fact

CITY ATTORNEY

(Any additional signatures appear on page 2.)

(FOR INFORMATION ONLY—Name, Address and Telephone)
AGENT or BROKER:

OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE (Architect, Engineer or other party):

1 The Contractor and the Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns to the Owner to pay for labor, materials and equipment furnished for use in the performance of the Construction Contract, which is incorporated herein by reference.

2 With respect to the Owner, this obligation shall be null and void if the Contractor:

2.1 Promptly makes payment, directly or indirectly, for all sums due Claimants, and

2.2 Defends, indemnifies and holds harmless the Owner from claims, demands, liens or suits by any person or entity whose claim, demand, lien or suit is for the payment for labor, materials or equipment furnished for use in the performance of the Construction Contract, provided the Owner has promptly notified the Contractor and the Surety (at the address described in Paragraph 12) of any claims; demands, liens or suits and tendered defense of such claims, demands, liens or suits to the Contractor and the Surety, and provided there is no Owner Default.

3 With respect to Claimants, this obligation shall be null and void if the Contractor promptly makes payment, directly or indirectly, for all sums due.

4 The Surety shall have no obligation to Claimants under this Bond until:

4.1 Claimants who are employed by or have a direct contract with the Contractor have given notice to the Surety (at the address described in Paragraph 12) and sent a copy, or notice thereof, to the Owner, stating that a claim is being made under this Bond and, with substantial accuracy, the amount of the claim.

4.2 Claimants who do not have a direct contract with the Contractor:

.1 Have furnished written notice to the Contractor and sent a copy, or notice thereof, to the Owner, within 90 days after having last performed labor or last furnished materials or equipment included in the claim stating, with substantial accuracy, the amount of the claim and the name of the party to whom the materials were furnished or supplied or for whom the labor was done or performed; and

.2 Have either received a rejection in whole or in part from the Contractor, or not received within 30 days of furnishing the above notice any communication from the Contractor by which the Contractor has indicated the claim will be paid directly or indirectly; and

.3 Not having been paid within the above 30 days, have sent a written notice to the Surety (at the address described in Paragraph 12) and sent a copy, or notice thereof, to the Owner, stating that a claim is being made under this Bond and enclosing a copy of the previous written notice furnished to the Contractor.

5 If a notice required by Paragraph 4 is given by the Owner to the Contractor or to the Surety, that is sufficient compliance.

6 When the Claimant has satisfied the conditions of Paragraph 4, the Surety shall promptly and at the Surety's expense take the following actions:

6.1 Send an answer to the Claimant, with a copy to the Owner, within 45 days after receipt of the claim, stating the amounts that are undisputed and the basis for challenging any amounts that are disputed.

6.2 Pay or arrange for payment of any undisputed amounts.

7 The Surety's total obligation shall not exceed the amount of this Bond, and the amount of this Bond shall be credited for any payments made in good faith by the Surety.

8 Amounts owed by the Owner to the Contractor under the Construction Contract shall be used for the performance of the Construction Contract and to satisfy claims, if any, under any Construction Performance Bond. By the Contractor furnishing and the Owner accepting this Bond, they agree that all funds earned by the Contractor in the performance of the Construction Contract are dedicated to satisfy obligations of the Contractor and the Surety under this Bond, subject to the Owner's priority to use the funds for the completion of the work.

9 The Surety shall not be liable to the Owner, Claimants or others for obligations of the Contractor that are unrelated to the Construction Contract. The Owner shall not be liable for payment of any costs or expenses of any Claimant under this Bond, and shall have under this Bond no obligation to make payments to, give notices on behalf of, or otherwise have obligations to Claimants under this Bond.

10 The Surety hereby waives notice of any change, including changes of time, to the Construction Contract or to related subcontracts, purchase orders and other obligations.

11 No suit or action shall be commenced by a Claimant under this Bond other than in a court of competent jurisdiction in the location in which the work or part of the work is located or after the expiration of one year from the date (1) on which the Claimant gave the notice required by Subparagraph 4.1 or Clause 4.2.3, or (2) on which the last labor or service was performed by anyone or the last materials or equipment were furnished by anyone under the Construction Contract, whichever of (1) or (2) first occurs. If the provisions of this

Paragraph are void or prohibited by law, the minimum period of limitation available to sureties as a defense in the jurisdiction of the suit shall be applicable.

12 Notice to the Surety, the Owner or the Contractor shall be mailed or delivered to the address shown on the signature page. Actual receipt of notice by Surety, the Owner or the Contractor, however accomplished, shall be sufficient compliance as of the date received at the address shown on the signature page.

13 When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location where the construction was to be performed, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory or legal requirement shall be deemed deleted herefrom and provisions conforming to such statutory or other legal requirement shall be deemed incorporated herein. The intent is that this Bond shall be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.

14 Upon request by any person or entity appearing to be a potential beneficiary of this Bond, the Contractor shall promptly furnish a copy of this Bond or shall permit a copy to be made.

15 DEFINITIONS

15.1 Claimant: An individual or entity having a direct contract with the Contractor or with a subcontractor of the Contractor to furnish labor, materials or equipment for use in the performance of the Contract. The intent of this Bond shall be to include without limitation in the terms "labor, materials or equipment" that part of water, gas, power, light, heat, oil, gasoline, telephone service or rental equipment used in the Construction Contract, architectural and engineering services required for performance of the work of the Contractor and the Contractor's subcontractors, and all other items for which a mechanic's lien may be asserted in the jurisdiction where the labor, materials or equipment were furnished.

15.2 Construction Contract: The agreement between the Owner and the Contractor identified on the signature page, including all Contract Documents and changes thereto.

15.3 Owner Default: Failure of the Owner, which has neither been remedied nor waived, to pay the Contractor as required by the Construction Contract or to perform and complete or comply with the other terms thereof.

MODIFICATIONS TO THIS BOND ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(Space is provided below for additional signatures of added parties, other than those appearing on the cover page.)

(Corporate Seal)

CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL

Company: _____ (Corporate Seal)

SURETY

Company: Old Republic Surety Company

Signature: _____

Name and Title: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____

Name and Title: _____

Address: _____

INDIVIDUAL

STATE OF _____ }
 COUNTY OF _____ } ss

On this _____ day of _____, _____, before me personally appeared _____ to me known and known to me to be the individual in and who executed the foregoing instrument and _____ acknowledged to me that _____ executed the same in his individual capacity.

 Notary Public

COPARTNERSHIP

STATE OF _____ }
 COUNTY OF _____ } ss

On this _____ day of _____, _____, before me personally appeared _____ to me known and known to me to be one of the firm of _____ described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and he/she thereupon acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same as and for the act and deed of said firm.

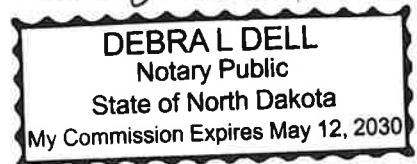
 Notary Public

CORPORATE

STATE OF North Dakota }
 COUNTY OF Cass } ss

On this 25th day of June, 2026, before me personally appeared Josh Johnson to me known, who, being by me first duly sworn, did depose and say that he/she resides in North Dakota; that he/she is the Owner of Johnson & Schock Excavating, LLC the corporation described in and which executed the foregoing instrument; that he/she knows the corporate seal of said corporation; that the corporate seal affixed to said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by order and authority of the Board of Directors of said corporation, and that he/she signed his/her name thereto by like order and authority.

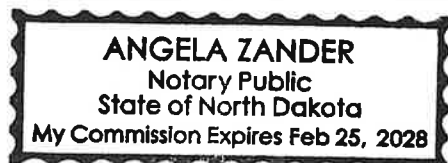
 Notary Public

**SURETY**

STATE OF North Dakota }
 COUNTY OF Burleigh } ss

I, Angela Zander Notary Public of Burleigh County, in the State of North Dakota do hereby certify that Pat A. Thomas Attorney-in-Fact, of the Old Republic Surety Company, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person, and acknowledged that he/she signed, sealed and delivered said instrument, for and on behalf of the Old Republic Surety Company, for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal at my office in the City of Bismarck in said County, this 23rd day of June, A.D. 2026.



 Notary Public



OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY, a Wisconsin stock insurance corporation, does make, constitute and appoint: **PAT A. THOMAS, MICHAEL J. THOMAS, JUSTIN P. THOMAS, BRANDI SCHLAUDERAFF, ANGELA ZANDER, MCKAYLA BLEWETT, JOANNA DUFFEY, MCKENZIE THOMAS, JENNA HALVERSON**

of BISMARCK, ND

its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, with full power and authority for and on behalf of the company as surety, to execute and deliver and affix the seal of the company thereto (if a seal is required), bonds, undertakings, recognizances or other written obligations in the nature thereof, **(other than bail bonds, bank depository bonds, mortgage deficiency bonds, mortgage guaranty bonds, guarantees of installment paper and note guaranty bonds, self-insurance workers compensation bonds guaranteeing payment of benefits, or black lung bonds)**, as follows:

ALL WRITTEN INSTRUMENTS

and to bind OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY thereby, and all of the acts of said Attorneys-in-Fact, pursuant to these presents, are ratified and confirmed. This appointment is made under and by authority of the board of directors at a special meeting held on February 18, 1982.

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the board of directors of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY on February 18, 1982.

RESOLVED that, the president, any vice-president or assistant vice president, in conjunction with the secretary or any assistant secretary, may appoint attorneys-in-fact or agents with authority as defined or limited in the instrument evidencing the appointment in each case, for and on behalf of the company to execute and deliver and affix the seal of the company to bonds, undertakings, recognizances, and suretyship obligations of all kinds; and said officers may remove any such attorney-in-fact or agent and revoke any Power of Attorney previously granted to such person.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or suretyship obligation shall be valid and binding upon the Company

- (i) when signed by the president, any vice president or assistant vice president, and attested and sealed (if a seal be required) by any secretary or assistant secretary; or
- (ii) when signed by the president, any vice president or assistant vice president, secretary or assistant secretary, and countersigned and sealed (if a seal be required) by a duly authorized attorney-in-fact or agent; or
- (iii) when duly executed and sealed (if a seal be required) by one or more attorneys-in-fact or agents pursuant to and within the limits of the authority evidenced by the Power of Attorney issued by the company to such person or persons.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the signature of any authorized officer and the seal of the company may be affixed by facsimile to any Power of Attorney or certification thereof authorizing the execution and delivery of any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or other suretyship obligations of the company; and such signature and seal when so used shall have the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be signed by its proper officer, and its corporate seal to be affixed this 26th day of October, 2023

Karen J. Haffner
Assistant Secretary



OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY

Alan Pavlic
President

STATE OF WISCONSIN, COUNTY OF WAUKESHA - SS

On this 26th day of October, 2023, personally came before me, Alan Pavlic and Karen J Haffner, to me known to be the individuals and officers of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY who executed the above instrument, and they each acknowledged the execution of the same, and being by me duly sworn, did severally depose and say: that they are the said officers of the corporation aforesaid, and that the seal affixed to the above instrument is the seal of the corporation, and that said corporate seal and their signatures as such officers were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority of the board of directors of said corporation.



Kathryn R. Pearson
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: September 28, 2026

(Expiration of notary's commission does not invalidate this instrument)

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, assistant secretary of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY, a Wisconsin corporation, CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached Power of Attorney remains in full force and has not been revoked; and furthermore, that the Resolutions of the board of directors set forth in the Power of Attorney, are now in force.

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Signed and sealed at the City of Brookfield, WI this 23rd day of June, 2026

Karen J. Haffner
Assistant Secretary

ORSC 22262 (3-06)

KRAMER AGENCY



JOHNSCH-01

KTHOMAS

CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

6/25/2026

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must have ADDITIONAL INSURED provisions or be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER Kramer Agency 232 West Century Avenue Bismarck, ND 58503	CONTACT NAME: McKenzie Thomas	
	PHONE (A/C, No, Ext):	FAX (A/C, No):
INSURED Johnson & Schock Excavating, LLC 4080 98th Ave S Fargo, ND 58104	E-MAIL ADDRESS: kenzie@krameragency.com	
	INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE	
	INSURER A: Western National Mutual Insurance Company	
	INSURER B:	
	INSURER C:	
	INSURER D:	
INSURER E:		
INSURER F:		
NAIC #		

COVERAGES

CERTIFICATE NUMBER:

REVISION NUMBER:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSD	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
A	☒ COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY						
	☐ CLAIMS-MADE ☒ OCCUR	☒	☒	0001687595	4/1/2026	4/1/2027	EACH OCCURRENCE \$ 1,000,000
							DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$ 300,000
							MED EXP (Any one person) \$ 10,000
							PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$ 1,000,000
							GENERAL AGGREGATE \$ 2,000,000
							PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG \$ 2,000,000
	GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER:						
	☐ POLICY ☐ PRO-JECT ☐ LOC						
	OTHER:						
A	☒ AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY						
	☒ ANY AUTO OWNED AUTOS ONLY ☐ SCHEDULED AUTOS ☐ HIRED AUTOS ONLY ☐ NON-OWNED AUTOS ONLY	☒	☒	0001668822	4/1/2026	4/1/2027	COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$ 1,000,000
							BODILY INJURY (Per person) \$
							BODILY INJURY (Per accident) \$
							PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) \$
A	☒ UMBRELLA LIAB ☒ EXCESS LIAB	☒	☒	0001693484	4/1/2026	4/1/2027	EACH OCCURRENCE \$ 5,000,000
	☐ DED ☒ RETENTION \$ 10,000	☒	☒				AGGREGATE \$ 5,000,000
A	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY			0001687595	4/1/2026	4/1/2027	PER STATUTE OTH-ER
	ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH)	☐	N/A				E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$ 1,000,000
	If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below						E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$ 1,000,000
							E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$ 1,000,000

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)
Project No. WA2510 - Water Service Replacement Project 2026-07
Reference Attached Forms

CERTIFICATE HOLDER

CANCELLATION

City of Fargo
225 4th St N
Fargo, ND 58102

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE