

## CONTRACT

THIS CONTRACT, pursuant to City Council approval granted on \_\_\_\_\_, is made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017, by and between the City of Venice, Florida, hereinafter referred to as the City, and A2 Group, Inc., hereinafter referred to as the Contractor.

### W I T N E S S E T H:

THAT FOR and in consideration of the mutual covenants and obligations hereafter set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

(1) The Contract Documents consist of this Contract, Performance and Payment Bonds attached hereto as composite Attachment A and, the City's Invitation to Bid (ITB) # **3047-16: City of Venice Parking Lots Site 3, Re-Bid** including: standard general conditions, supplemental conditions, special conditions, technical specifications, drawings, Contractor's bid proposal for ITB **3047-16**, all of which are incorporated herein by reference. All of the Contract Documents are made a part of this Contract.

(2) The Contractor shall perform all the work required by the Contract Documents and shall include installation of the listed items per the bid specifications.

(3) The work to be performed under this Contract shall be completed within **One Hundred and Fifty Days (150)** days of the issuance of the Notice to Proceed by the City.

(4) The City shall pay the Contractor for the performance of the work, in accordance with Exhibit B, subject to the terms and conditions of the Contract Documents and any written change orders, the contract sum not to exceed: **four hundred forty thousand one hundred twelve dollars & 09/100s (\$440,112.09)**.

(5) Time is of the essence in this contract. In the event that the work is not completed within the required time as specified in Section 3 herein, then from the compensation otherwise to be paid to the Contractor, the City may retain the sum of **seven hundred and fifty-eight dollars (\$ 758.00) per day** for each calendar day that the work remains incomplete beyond the time limit, which sum shall represent the actual damage which the City will have sustained per day by failure of the Contractor to complete the work within the required time, said sum not being a penalty but being the stipulated damages the City will have sustained in the event of such default by the Contractor.

(6) In connection with the performance of work under this Contract, the Contractor agrees not to discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, sex, religion, color, or national origin. The aforesaid provision shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, lay-off or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post hereafter in conspicuous places, available for employees or applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of the non-discrimination clause. The Contractor further agrees to insert the foregoing provisions in all contracts hereunder, including contracts or agreements with labor unions and/or workers' representatives, except subcontracts for standard commercial supplies or raw materials.

(7) Contractor must secure and maintain any and all permits and licenses required to complete the work under this Contract, unless the Contract Documents provide otherwise.

(8) Throughout the term of this Contract the Contractor must maintain insurance in at least the amounts and coverage required as shown in Exhibit C. The Contractor must provide a Certificate of Insurance to the City evidencing such coverage prior to issuance of the Notice to Proceed by the City.

(9) Contractor agrees to comply with Florida's public records law by keeping and maintaining public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the public agency in order to perform the Engineering Services; upon the request of the City's Custodian of Public Records, by providing the City with copies of or access to public records on the same terms and conditions that City would provide the records and at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided by Florida law; by ensuring that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed excepts as authorized by law for the duration of the term of the Contract and following completion of the Contract if the Contractor does not transfer the records to the City; and upon completion of the Contract by transferring, at no cost, to City all public records in possession of Contractor or by keeping and maintaining all public records required by the City to perform the Engineering Services. If the Contractor transfers all public records to the City upon completion of the Contract, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the Contract, the Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the City, upon request from the City's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the City.

**If the Contractor has questions regarding the application of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, to the Contractor's duty to provide Public Records relating to this Contract, contact the City's Custodian of Public Records Lori Stelzer, MMC, City Clerk, at 401 West Venice Avenue, Venice, Florida 34285, (941) 882- 7390 or [lstelzer@venicegov.com](mailto:lstelzer@venicegov.com).**

(10) Contractor shall indemnify, pay the cost of defense, including attorneys' fees, and hold harmless the City from all suits, actions, or claims of any kind brought on account of any injuries or damages received or sustained by any person or property by or from the Contractor or in consequence of any neglect in safeguarding the work; or by the use of any unacceptable materials related to the work; or on account of any act or omission, neglect or misconduct of the Contractor; or on account of any claim or amounts received under the "Workers' Compensation Law" or any other laws or ordinances, except only such injury or damage as shall have been caused by the negligence of the City. The first ten dollars (\$10.00) of compensation received by the Contractor represents specific consideration for this indemnification obligation.

(11) Contractor shall be responsible for compliance with the requirements under Chapter 556, Florida Statutes, the "Underground Facility Damage Prevention and Safety Act." Contractor's obligations to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City, as provided for under Section 10 of this Contract, shall specifically apply to any violations alleged against the City under the Underground Facility Damage Prevention and Safety Act related to the performance of the work under this Contract. Contractor acknowledges that included in the various items of the proposal and in the total bid price, are costs for complying with the Florida Trench Safety Act (90-96 Laws of Florida) effective October 1, 1990.

(12) Termination. This Contract may be terminated by the City without cause, by giving thirty (30) days prior written notice to contractor of the intention to cancel, or with cause at any time contractor fails to fulfill or abide by any of the terms or conditions specified. Failure of contractor to comply with any of the provisions of this agreement shall be considered a material breach of contract and shall be cause for immediate termination of the agreement at the discretion of the city. This Contract may be terminated by the Contractor only by mutual consent of both parties. If this Contract is terminated before performance is completed, the Contractor shall be paid only for that work satisfactorily performed for which costs can be substantiated.

(13) The laws of the State of Florida shall govern all provisions of this Contract. Venue for any dispute shall be Sarasota County, Florida. If any court proceeding or other action occurs between the parties as a result of this Contract or any other document or act required by this Contract, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover attorney's fees and all court costs, including attorney's fees and court costs incurred in any pre-trial, trial, appellate, and/or bankruptcy proceedings, as well as, attorney's fees and costs incurred in determining entitlement to and reasonableness of fees and costs.

(14) This Contract and the Contract Documents constitute the entire agreement of the parties and may not be changed or modified, except by a written document signed by both parties hereto. This Contract shall be binding upon the successors and assigns of the parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties to the agreement have hereunto set their hands and seals and have executed this agreement, the day and year first above written.

(SEAL)

ATTEST:



CITY OF VENICE  
IN SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA


\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY CLERK

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
MAYOR JOHN HOLIC

ATTEST:

A2 Group, Inc.  
\_\_\_\_\_

A circular seal for the City of Venice, Florida, is partially visible behind the signature of Christy Carrera. The seal contains the text "CITY OF VENICE" and "FLORIDA".  
  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Christy Carrera  
Signed by (typed or printed)

BY:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Alberto G. Ribas, President  
Signed by (typed or printed)

Approved as to Form and Correctness

\_\_\_\_\_  
David Persson, City Attorney

**EXHIBIT A**  
**SURETY BONDS**

See Attached  
AIA A312 -  
2010 Form

At the time of executing the Contract Documents, the successful proposer shall append to this sheet separate performance and payment bonds each equal to one-hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount. Said bonds become an integral part of these Contract Documents and shall meet the following requirements:

1. Surety bonds submitted shall be written by a surety company that is approved by the City Finance Director and authorized to do business in the State of Florida, shall be accompanied by evidence of the authority of the issuing agent, and shall be on a form to be approved by the City Attorney. No bond in an amount greater than \$5,000 required by the City Charter, the Ordinances of the City of Venice, or the laws of the State of Florida shall be approved by the City Finance Director unless the surety company executing the bond is listed by the United States Treasury Department as being approved for writing bonds for Federal projects and its current list in an amount not less than the amount of the bond tendered to The City of Venice.

2. Both the separate payment and performance bonds shall be in the general form of AIA documents A311. Additionally, the payment bond shall state as follows:

“This bond is issued in compliance with Section 255.05, Florida Statutes (1994 Supp.), as may be amended. A claimant, except a laborer, who is not in privity with the contractor and who has not received payment for his labor, materials, or supplies shall, within 45 days after beginning to furnish labor, materials, or supplies for the prosecution of the work, furnish the contractor with a notice, that he intends to look to the bond for protection. A claimant who is not in privity with the contractor and who has not received payment for his labor, materials, or supplies shall, within 90 days after performance of the labor or after complete delivery of the materials or supplies, or with respect to rental equipment, within 90 days after the date that the rental equipment was last on the job site available for use, deliver to the contractor and to the surety written notice of the performance of the labor or delivery of the materials or supplies and of the nonpayment. No action for the labor, materials, or supplies may be instituted against the contractor or the surety unless both notices have been given. No action shall be instituted against the contractor or the surety on the payment bond or the payment provisions of a combined payment and performance bond after 1 year from the performance of the labor or completion of delivery of the materials or supplies. A claimant may not waive in advance his right to bring an action under the bond against the surety. In any action brought to enforce a claim against a payment bond under this section, the prevailing party is entitled to recover a reasonable fee for the services of his attorney for trial and appeal or for arbitration, in an amount to be determined by the court, which fee must be taxed as part of his costs, as allowed in equitable actions.”

## PUBLIC WORKS PAYMENT BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT \_\_\_\_\_, as Principal, hereinafter called Contractor; and \_\_\_\_\_, a corporation of the State of Florida, as surety, hereinafter called Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the City of Venice as Obligee, hereinafter called the City, in the amount of **four hundred forty thousand one hundred twelve dollars & 09/100's (\$440,112.09)**, for the payment whereof Contractor and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, Contractor has by written agreement dated the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017, entered into a Contract with the City for the following described project: **ITB# 3047-16: City of Venice Parking Lots Site 3, Re-Bid** which contract is by reference incorporated herein and made a part hereof, and is hereinafter referred to as the Contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION is such that if Contractor shall promptly make payments to all persons supplying Contractor labor, materials and supplies, used directly or indirectly by the said Contractor or Subcontractors in the prosecution of the work provided for in said Contract, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect.

PROVIDED FURTHER, that the said Surety for value received hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the Contract or to the work to be performed thereunder or the Specifications accompanying the same shall in anywise affect its obligation on this Bond, and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the Contract or to the work or to the Specifications.

PROVIDED FURTHER, that this Bond is issued pursuant to Section 255.05, Florida Statutes, and reference is hereby made to the notice and time limitations in said statute for making claims against this Bond.

PROVIDED FURTHER, that any suit under this Bond must be instituted before the expiration of one (1) year from the performance of the labor or completion of delivery of the materials or supplies.

PROVIDED FURTHER, no right of action shall accrue on this Bond to or for the use of any person or corporation other than the City named herein and those persons or corporations provided for by Section 255.05, Florida Statutes, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors or assigns.

SIGNED AND SEALED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A.D., 2017.

IN THE PRESENCE OF:

CONTRACTOR

\_\_\_\_\_

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

INSURANCE COMPANY

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Agent and Attorney-in-Fact

**PUBLIC WORKS PERFORMANCE BOND**

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NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION is such that if the Contractor shall promptly and faithfully perform the Contract during the original term thereof and any extensions thereof which may be granted by the City with or without notice to the Surety and during any guarantee or warranty period, including the obligation to correct any latent defects not discovered until after acceptance of the project by the City, and if he shall satisfy all claims and demands incurred under said Contract and shall fully indemnify and save harmless the City, its agents, Engineer and employees from all losses, damages, expenses, costs and Attorney's Fees, including appellate proceedings which it may suffer by reason of failure to do so, and shall reimburse and repay the City all outlay and expense which the City may incur in making good any default, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect.

PROVIDED FURTHER, whenever Contractor shall be, and declared by the City to be in default under the Contract, the City having performed its obligations thereunder, the Surety may promptly remedy the default or shall promptly:

- (1) Complete the Contract in accordance with its terms and conditions; or
- (2) Obtain a bid or bids for submission to the City for completing the Contract in accordance with its terms and conditions and upon determination by the City and Surety of the lowest responsible bidder, arrange for a contract between such bidder and City and make available as work progresses (even though there should be a default or a succession of defaults under the Contract or Contracts of completion arranged under this paragraph) sufficient funds to pay the cost of completion, less the balance of the contract price; but not exceeding, including other costs and damages for which the Surety may be liable hereunder, the amount set forth in the first paragraph hereof. The term "balance of the contract price" as used in this paragraph, shall mean the total

amount payable by the City to Contractor under the Contract and any amendments thereto, less the amount properly paid by the City to the Contractor.

PROVIDED FURTHER, the Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the Contract or to the work to be performed thereunder or the Contract Documents accompanying the same shall in any waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the Contract or to the work or to the Contract Documents.

PROVIDED FURTHER, any suit under this bond must be instituted before the expiration of two (2) years from the date on which final payment under the Contract falls due; except that, when the action involves a latent defect, suit must be instituted within four (4) years from the time the defect is discovered or should have been discovered with the exercise of due diligence.

PROVIDED FURTHER, no right of action shall accrue on this bond to or for the use of any person or corporation other than the City, its successors or assigns.

SIGNED AND SEALED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, AD., 2017.

IN THE PRESENCE OF: CONTRACTOR

\_\_\_\_\_ BY: \_\_\_\_\_

INSURANCE COMPANY

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Agent and Attorney-in-Fact

**EXHIBIT B**  
**ITB NUMBER 3047-16**

Item No	FDOT REF. NO.	BASE BID - Description	Unit	Qty.	Unit Price	Extension
1	101-1	MOBILIZATION	LS	1	\$44,920.00	\$44,920.00
2	102-1	MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC	LS	1	\$6,867.00	\$6,867.00
3	104-10-3	SEDIMENT BARRIER	LF	888	\$2.2890	\$2,033.00
4	110-1-1	CLEARING AND GRUBBING	AC	1.43	\$22,048.9510	\$31,530.00
5	120-1	EXCAVATION	CY	50	\$22.8800	\$1,444.00
6	120-6	EMBANKMENT	CY	860	\$35.1350	\$30,216.00
7	160-4	8" TYPE B STABILIZATION	SY	4549	\$4.1770	\$19,003.00
8	285-7-01	OPTIONAL BASE MATERIAL (4" ABC-3 ASPHALT)	SY	4330	\$14.87670	\$64,372.00
9	331-2	TYPE S ASPHALTIC CONCRETE (S-III)	TN	340	\$122.5710	\$29,417.00
10	520-2-4	TYPE D CURB	LF	1011	\$10.6430	\$10,760.00
11	522-1	CONCRETE SIDEWALK AND DRIVEWAYS (4" THICK)	SY	261	\$36.5100	\$9,529.00
12	522-2	CONCRETE SIDEWALK AND DRIVEWAYS (6" THICK)	SY	92	\$60.4780	\$5,564.00
13	527-2	DETECTABLE WARNINGS	SY	5	\$257.6000	\$1,288.00
14	570-1-2	PERFORMANCE TURF (SOD)	SY	486	\$2.2100	\$1,074.00
15	630-2-11	CONDUIT (F&I) (UNDERGROUND) (1 1/4")	LF	1250	\$6.1340	\$7,668.00
16		ELECTRICAL JUNCTION BOX (F&I) (12"X12"X12") NEMA 4X	EA	13	\$717.3080	\$9,325.00
17		HIGHWAY SIGN - SINGLE POST	EA	1	\$343.0000	\$343.00

18	711-11-125	24" THERMOPLASTIC STANDARD SOLID WHITE	LF	14	\$5,7140	\$80.00
19	711-11-170	THERMOPLASTIC STANDARD WHITE ARROW	EA	8	\$11.0000	\$88.00
20	711-11-224	18" THERMOPLASTIC STANDARD SOLID YELLOW	LF	33	\$4.0300	\$133.00
21	711-15-111	6" THERMOPLASTIC STANDARD OPEN GRADED WHITE	NM	0.370	\$9062.1620	\$3353.00
22	711-15-211	6" THERMOPLASTIC STANDARD OPEN GRADED YELLOW	NM	0.024	\$9041.6670	\$217.00
23	715-1-12	LIGHTING- CONDUCTORS, F&I, INSULATED, NO. 8 TO NO. 6	LF	3750	\$1.0870	\$4,078.00
24	715-4-129	ALUMINUM POLE & FOUNDATION (130 MPH) (15' HEIGHT)	EA	8	\$3,329.7500	\$26,638.00
25	715-5-1A	LED LUMINAIRE FIXTURE (FURNISH & INSTALL)	EA	14	\$2,417.0710	\$33,839.00
26	715-7-2A	LOAD CENTER, REWORK	EA	1	\$1,281.0000	\$1,281.00
27		CONCRETE WHEEL STOP (YELLOW)	EA	48	\$51.5000	\$2,472.00
28		TREE - SHADY LADY	EA	29	\$452.0690	\$13,110.00
29		TREE - CABBAGE PALM	EA	7	\$429.1430	\$3,004.00
30		SHRUB - PITCH APPLE	EA	356	\$20.6010	\$7,334.00
31		SHRUB - SEA GRAPE	EA	126	\$51.5000	\$6,489.00
32		PINE BARK MULCH	CY	53	\$145.8870	\$7,732.00
<b>SUB-TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED LUMP SUM BASE BID:</b>						<b>\$384,901.00</b>
10% CITY RESERVE (INCLUDE IN BID TOTAL):						\$38,490.10
<b>TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED LUMP SUM BASE BID PLUS CITY RESERVE:</b>						<b>\$ 423,391.10</b>

Item No	FDOT REF. NO.	ALTERNATIVE A - STORMWATER POND	Unit	Qty	Unit Price	Amount
1	110-1-1	CLEARING AND GRUBBING	AC	0.41	\$6,700.0000	\$2,747.00
2	120-1	EXCAVATION	CY	10	\$25.0000	\$250.00
3	120-6	EMBANKMENT	CY	225	\$38.3750	\$8634.38
4	570-1-2	PERFORMANCE TURF (SOD)	SY	1967	\$2.5875	\$5089.61
<b>ALTERNATIVE A BID:</b>						<b>\$ 16,720.99</b>

## EXHIBIT C

Before performing any work, the Contractor shall procure and maintain, during the life of the Contract, insurance listed below. The policies of insurance shall be primary and written on forms acceptable to the City and placed with insurance carriers approved and licensed by the Insurance Department in the State of Florida and meet a minimum financial AM Best and Company rating of no less than A:VII. No changes are to be made to these specifications without prior written specific approval by the City.

1. The City of Venice is to be specifically included as an **ADDITIONAL INSURED** for **Commercial General Liability** and **Business Auto Policy**.
2. The City of Venice shall be named as Certificate Holder. *Please Note that the Certificate Holder should read as follows:*

*The City of Venice  
401 W. Venice Avenue  
Venice, FL 34285*

No City Division, Department, or individual name should appear on the certificate. **NO OTHER FORMAT WILL BE ACCEPTABLE.**

3. The "Acord" certification of insurance form shall be used.
4. Required Coverage
  - a) **Commercial General Liability:** including but not limited to bodily injury, property damage, contractual liability, products and completed operations, and personal injury with limits of not less than \$ 1,000,000 per occurrence, \$ 1,000,000 aggregate covering all work performed under this Contract. Include broad form property damage (provide insurance for damage to property under the care custody and control of the contractor)
  - b) **Business Auto Policy:** including bodily injury and property damage for all vehicles owned, leased, hired and non-owned vehicles with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit covering all work performed under this Contract.
  - c) **Workers Compensation:** Contractor will provide Workers Compensation Insurance on behalf of all employees, including sub-contractors, who are to provide a service under this Contract, as required under Florida Law, Chapter 440, and Employers Liability with limits of not less than \$100,000 per employee per accident; \$500,000 disease aggregate; and \$100,000 per employee per disease.
5. Policy Form:
  - a) All policies required by this Contract, with the exception of Workers Compensation, or unless specific approval is given by the City, are to be written on an occurrence basis, shall name the City of Venice, its Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees as additional insured as their interest may appear under this Contract. Insurer(s), with the exception of Workers Compensation, shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the City of Venice, its Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, and Employees.

- b) Insurance requirements itemized in this Contract, and required of the Contractor, shall be provided on behalf of all subcontractors to cover their operations performed under this Contract. The Contractor shall be held responsible for any modifications, deviations, or omissions in these insurance requirements as they apply to subcontractors.
- c) Each insurance policy required by this Contract shall:
  - (1) apply separately to each insured against whom claim is made and suit is brought, except with respect to limits of the insurer's liability;
  - (2) be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided or canceled by either party except after thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given to the City of Venice's Director of Administrative Services.
- d) The City shall retain the right to review, at any time, coverage form, and amount of insurance.
- e) The procuring of required policies of insurance shall not be construed to limit Contractor's liability nor to fulfill the indemnification provisions and requirements of this Contract.
- f) The Contractor shall be solely responsible for payment of all premiums for insurance contributing to the satisfaction of this Contract and shall be solely responsible for the payment of any deductible and/or retention to which such policies are subject, whether or not the City is an insured under the policy. In the event that claims in excess of the insured amounts provided herein are filed by reason of operations under the contract, the amount excess of such claims, or any portion thereof, may be withheld from any payment due or to become due to the contractor until such time the contractor shall furnish additional security covering such claims as may be determined by the City.
- g) Claims Made Policies will be accepted for professional and hazardous materials and such other risks as are authorized by the City. All Claims Made Policies contributing to the satisfaction of the insurance requirements herein shall have an extended reporting period option or automatic coverage of not less than two years. If provided as an option, the Contractor agrees to purchase the extended reporting period on cancellation or termination unless a new policy is affected with a retroactive date, including at least the last policy year.
- h) Certificates of Insurance evidencing Claims Made or Occurrence form coverage and conditions to this Contract, as well as the City's Bid Number and description of work, are to be furnished to the City's Director of Administrative Services, 401 West Venice Avenue, Venice, FL 34285, ten (10) business days prior to commencement of work and a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days prior to expiration of the insurance policy.
- i) Notices of Accidents and Notices of Claims associated with work being performed under this Contract, shall be provided to the Contractor's insurance company and the City's Director of Administrative Services, as soon as practicable after notice to the insured.
- j) All property losses shall be payable to, and adjusted with, the City.

**This is the *front page* of the performance/payment bond issued in compliance with  
Florida Statute Chapter 255.05**

**Surety Name:** Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland  
1299 Zurich Way  
Schaumburg, IL60196-1056  
847-605-6000

**Bond Number:** 9237055

**Contractor Name:** A2 Group, Inc.  
12915 SW 132<sup>nd</sup> Street, Suite 5  
Miami, FL 33186  
305-668-8939

**Owner Name:** City of Venice, Florida  
401 W. Venice Ave  
Venice, L 34285  
941-882-7390

**Project Description:** ITB #3047-16: City of Venice Parking Lot Site 3, Re-Bid

**Project Address:** City of Venice, Florida

**Legal Description of Property:** ITB #3047-16: City of Venice Parking Lot Site 3, Re-Bid

**This is the *front page* of the bond. All other pages are subsequent regardless of the  
pre-printed numbers.**

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Bond No. 9237055

**Performance Bond**

**CONTRACTOR:**

*(Name, legal status and address)*

**A2 Group, Inc.**  
**12915 SW 132nd Street, Suite 5**  
**Miami, FL 33186**

**OWNER:**

*(Name, legal status and address)*

**The City of Venice, Florida**  
**401 W. Venice Ave**  
**Venice, FL 34285**

**CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT**

Date:

Amount: **\$440,112.09 (Four Hundred Forty Thousand, One Hundred Twelve and 09/100 Dollars)**

Description:

*(Name and location)*

**ITB #3047-16: City of Venice Parking Lot Site 3, Re-Bid**  
**City of Venice, Florida**

**SURETY:**

*(Name, legal status and principal place of business)*

**Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland**

**1299 Zurich Way**  
**Schaumburg, IL 60196-1056**

This document has important legal consequences. Consultation with an attorney is encouraged with respect to its completion or modification.

Any singular reference to Contractor, Surety, Owner or other party shall be considered plural where applicable.

AIA Document A312-2010 combines two separate bonds, a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, into one form. This is not a single combined Performance and Payment Bond.

**BOND**

Date:

*(Not earlier than Construction Contract Date)*

Amount: **\$440,112.09 (Four Hundred Forty Thousand, One Hundred Twelve and 09/100 Dollars)**

Modifications to this Bond:  None  See Section 16

**CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL**

Company: *(Corporate Seal)*

**A2 Group, Inc.**

Signature: 


Name **ALBERTO E. RIBAS**  
and Title: **PRESIDENT**

*(Any additional signatures appear on the last page of this Performance Bond.)*

**SURETY**

Company: *(Corporate Seal)*

**Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland**

Signature: 

Name **Michael A. Holmes,**  
and Title: **Attorney-In-Fact**

*(FOR INFORMATION ONLY — Name, address and telephone)*

**AGENT or BROKER:**

**Brown & Brown of Florida, Inc.**  
**1401 Forum Way, 4th Floor**  
**West Palm Beach, FL 33401**  
**561-686-2266**

**OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE:**

*(Architect, Engineer or other party:)*

§ 1 The Contractor and 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 when applicable to participate in a conference as provided in Section 3.

§ 3 If there is no Owner Default under the Construction Contract, the Surety's obligation under this Bond shall arise after

- .1 the Owner first provides notice to the Contractor and the Surety that the Owner is considering declaring a Contractor Default. Such notice shall indicate whether the Owner is requesting a conference among the Owner, Contractor and Surety to discuss the Contractor's performance. If the Owner does not request a conference, the Surety may, within five (5) business days after receipt of the Owner's notice, request such a conference. If the Surety timely requests a conference, the Owner shall attend. Unless the Owner agrees otherwise, any conference requested under this Section 3.1 shall be held within ten (10) business days of the Surety's receipt of the Owner's notice. 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;
- .2 the Owner declares a Contractor Default, terminates the Construction Contract and notifies the Surety; and
- .3 the Owner has agreed to pay the Balance of the Contract Price in accordance with the terms of the Construction Contract to the Surety or to a contractor selected to perform the Construction Contract.

§ 4 Failure on the part of the Owner to comply with the notice requirement in Section 3.1 shall not constitute a failure to comply with a condition precedent to the Surety's obligations, or release the Surety from its obligations, except to the extent the Surety demonstrates actual prejudice.

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

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

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

§ 5.3 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 a 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 Section 7 in excess of the Balance of the Contract Price incurred by the Owner as a result of the Contractor Default; or

§ 5.4 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, make payment to the Owner; or
- .2 Deny liability in whole or in part and notify the Owner, citing the reasons for denial.

§ 6 If the Surety does not proceed as provided in Section 5 with reasonable promptness, the Surety shall be deemed to be in default on this Bond seven 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 Section 5.4, and the Owner refuses the payment 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.

§ 7 If the Surety elects to act under Section 5.1, 5.2 or 5.3, 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. Subject to the commitment by the Owner to pay the Balance of the Contract Price, the Surety is obligated, without duplication, for

- .1 the responsibilities of the Contractor for correction of defective work and completion of the Construction Contract;
- .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 Section 5; and
- .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.

§ 8 If the Surety elects to act under Section 5.1, 5.3 or 5.4, the Surety's liability is limited to the amount of this Bond.

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

§ 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 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 a declaration of 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.

§ 12 Notice to the Surety, the Owner or the Contractor shall be mailed or delivered to the address shown on the page on which their signature appears.

§ 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. When so furnished, the intent is that this Bond shall be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.

#### § 14 Definitions

§ 14.1 **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.

§ 14.2 **Construction Contract.** The agreement between the Owner and Contractor identified on the cover page, including all Contract Documents and changes made to the agreement and the Contract Documents.

§ 14.3 **Contractor Default.** Failure of the Contractor, which has not been remedied or waived, to perform or otherwise to comply with a material term of the Construction Contract.

§ 14.4 **Owner Default.** Failure of the Owner, which has not been remedied or waived, to pay the Contractor as required under the Construction Contract or to perform and complete or comply with the other material terms of the Construction Contract.

§ 14.5 **Contract Documents.** All the documents that comprise the agreement between the Owner and Contractor.

§ 15 If this Bond is issued for an agreement between a Contractor and subcontractor, the term Contractor in this Bond shall be deemed to be Subcontractor and the term Owner shall be deemed to be Contractor.

§ 16 Modifications to this bond are as follows:

**NONE**

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

**CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL**

**SURETY**

Company:           N/A          

*(Corporate Seal)*

Company:           N/A          

*(Corporate Seal)*

Signature:           N/A          

Name and Title:

Address

Signature:           N/A          

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**Payment Bond**

Bond No. 9237055

**CONTRACTOR:**  
*(Name, legal status and address)*  
**A2 Group, Inc.**  
**12915 SW 132nd Street, Suite 5**  
**Miami, FL 33186**

**OWNER:**  
*(Name, legal status and address)*  
**The City of Venice, Florida**  
**401 W. Venice Ave**  
**Venice, FL 34285**  
**CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT**  
Date:

**SURETY:**  
*(Name, legal status and principal place of business)*  
**Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland**  
**1299 Zurich Way**  
**Schaumburg, IL 60196-1056**

This document has important legal consequences. Consultation with an attorney is encouraged with respect to its completion or modification.

Any singular reference to Contractor, Surety, Owner or other party shall be considered plural where applicable.

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Amount: **\$440,112.09 (Four Hundred Forty Thousand, One Hundred Twelve and 09/100 Dollars)**

Description:  
*(Name and location)*

**ITB #3047-16: City of Venice Parking Lot Site 3, Re-Bid**  
**City of Venice, Florida**

**BOND**

Date:  
*(Not earlier than Construction Contract Date)*

Amount: **\$440,112.09 (Four Hundred Forty Thousand, One Hundred Twelve and 09/100 Dollars)**

Modifications to this Bond:  None  See Section 18

**CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL**  
Company: *(Corporate Seal)*  
**A2 Group, Inc.**

Signature:   
Name **ALBERTO G. RIBAS**  
and Title: **PRESIDENT**  
*(Any additional signatures appear on the last page of this Payment Bond.)*

*(FOR INFORMATION ONLY — Name, address and telephone)*

**AGENT or BROKER:**  
**Brown & Brown of Florida, Inc.**  
**1401 Forum Way, 4th Floor**  
**West Palm Beach, FL 33401**  
**561-686-2266**

**SURETY**  
Company: *(Corporate Seal)*  
**Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland**

Signature:   
Name **Michael A. Holmes,**  
and Title: **Attorney-In-Fact**

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

**§ 1** The Contractor and 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, subject to the following terms.

**§ 2** If the Contractor promptly makes payment of all sums due to Claimants, and defends, indemnifies and holds harmless the Owner from claims, demands, liens or suits by any person or entity seeking payment for labor, materials or equipment furnished for use in the performance of the Construction Contract, then the Surety and the Contractor shall have no obligation under this Bond.

**§ 3** If there is no Owner Default under the Construction Contract, the Surety's obligation to the Owner under this Bond shall arise after the Owner has promptly notified the Contractor and the Surety (at the address described in Section 13) of claims, demands, liens or suits against the Owner or the Owner's property by any person or entity seeking payment for labor, materials or equipment furnished for use in the performance of the Construction Contract and tendered defense of such claims, demands, liens or suits to the Contractor and the Surety.

**§ 4** When the Owner has satisfied the conditions in Section 3, the Surety shall promptly and at the Surety's expense defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Owner against a duly tendered claim, demand, lien or suit.

**§ 5** The Surety's obligations to a Claimant under this Bond shall arise after the following:

**§ 5.1** Claimants, who do not have a direct contract with the Contractor,

- .1 have furnished a written notice of non-payment to the Contractor, stating with substantial accuracy the amount claimed and the name of the party to whom the materials were, or equipment was, furnished or supplied or for whom the labor was done or performed, within ninety (90) days after having last performed labor or last furnished materials or equipment included in the Claim; and
- .2 have sent a Claim to the Surety (at the address described in Section 13).

**§ 5.2** Claimants, who are employed by or have a direct contract with the Contractor, have sent a Claim to the Surety (at the address described in Section 13).

**§ 6** If a notice of non-payment required by Section 5.1.1 is given by the Owner to the Contractor, that is sufficient to satisfy a Claimant's obligation to furnish a written notice of non-payment under Section 5.1.1.

**§ 7** When a Claimant has satisfied the conditions of Sections 5.1 or 5.2, whichever is applicable, the Surety shall promptly and at the Surety's expense take the following actions:

**§ 7.1** Send an answer to the Claimant, with a copy to the Owner, within sixty (60) days after receipt of the Claim, stating the amounts that are undisputed and the basis for challenging any amounts that are disputed; and

**§ 7.2** Pay or arrange for payment of any undisputed amounts.

**§ 7.3** The Surety's failure to discharge its obligations under Section 7.1 or Section 7.2 shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver of defenses the Surety or Contractor may have or acquire as to a Claim, except as to undisputed amounts for which the Surety and Claimant have reached agreement. If, however, the Surety fails to discharge its obligations under Section 7.1 or Section 7.2, the Surety shall indemnify the Claimant for the reasonable attorney's fees the Claimant incurs thereafter to recover any sums found to be due and owing to the Claimant.

**§ 8** The Surety's total obligation shall not exceed the amount of this Bond, plus the amount of reasonable attorney's fees provided under Section 7.3, and the amount of this Bond shall be credited for any payments made in good faith by the Surety.

**§ 9** 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 Surety under this Bond, subject to the Owner's priority to use the funds for the completion of the work.

**§ 10** 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 the payment of any costs or expenses of any Claimant under this Bond, and shall have under this Bond no obligation to make payments to, or give notice on behalf of, Claimants or otherwise have any obligations to Claimants under this Bond.

**§ 11** 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.

**§ 12** No suit or action shall be commenced by a Claimant under this Bond other than in a court of competent jurisdiction in the state in which the project that is the subject of the Construction Contract is located or after the expiration of one year from the date (1) on which the Claimant sent a Claim to the Surety pursuant to Section 5.1.2 or 5.2, 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.

**§ 13** Notice and Claims to the Surety, the Owner or the Contractor shall be mailed or delivered to the address shown on the page on which their signature appears. Actual receipt of notice or Claims, however accomplished, shall be sufficient compliance as of the date received.

**§ 14** 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. When so furnished, the intent is that this Bond shall be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.

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

**§ 16 Definitions**

**§ 16.1 Claim.** A written statement by the Claimant including at a minimum:

- .1 the name of the Claimant;
- .2 the name of the person for whom the labor was done, or materials or equipment furnished;
- .3 a copy of the agreement or purchase order pursuant to which labor, materials or equipment was furnished for use in the performance of the Construction Contract;
- .4 a brief description of the labor, materials or equipment furnished;
- .5 the date on which the Claimant last performed labor or last furnished materials or equipment for use in the performance of the Construction Contract;
- .6 the total amount earned by the Claimant for labor, materials or equipment furnished as of the date of the Claim;
- .7 the total amount of previous payments received by the Claimant; and
- .8 the total amount due and unpaid to the Claimant for labor, materials or equipment furnished as of the date of the Claim.

**§ 16.2 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 Construction Contract. The term Claimant also includes any individual or entity that has rightfully asserted a claim under an applicable mechanic's lien or similar statute against the real property upon which the Project is located. 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.

**§ 16.3 Construction Contract.** The agreement between the Owner and Contractor identified on the cover page, including all Contract Documents and all changes made to the agreement and the Contract Documents.

§ 16.4 Owner Default. Failure of the Owner, which has not been remedied or waived, to pay the Contractor as required under the Construction Contract or to perform and complete or comply with the other material terms of the Construction Contract.

§ 16.5 Contract Documents. All the documents that comprise the agreement between the Owner and Contractor.

§ 17 If this Bond is issued for an agreement between a Contractor and subcontractor, the term Contractor in this Bond shall be deemed to be Subcontractor and the term Owner shall be deemed to be Contractor.

§ 18 Modifications to this bond are as follows:

**THIS BOND IS GIVEN TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 255.05, FLORIDA STATUTES, AND ANY ACTION INSTITUTED BY A CLAIMANT UNDER THIS BOND FOR PAYMENT MUST BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NOTICE AND TIME LIMITATION PROVISIONS IN SECTION 255.05 (2), FLORIDA STATUTES.**

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**CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL**

Company:

**A2 Group, Inc.**

(Corporate Seal)

**SURETY**

Company:

**Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland**

(Corporate Seal)

Signature:

Name and Title: **ANTONIO G. RIVERA**

Address: **12915 SW 132nd Street, Suite 5, Miami, FL 33186**

Signature:

Name and Title: **Michael A. Holmes, Attorney-In-Fact**

Address: **1299 Zurich Way, Schaumburg, IL 60196-1056**

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**EXTRACT FROM BY-LAWS OF THE COMPANIES**

"Article V, Section 8, Attorneys-in-Fact. The Chief Executive Officer, the President, or any Executive Vice President or Vice President may, by written instrument under the attested corporate seal, appoint attorneys-in-fact with authority to execute bonds, policies, recognizances, stipulations, undertakings, or other like instruments on behalf of the Company, and may authorize any officer or any such attorney-in-fact to affix the corporate seal thereto; and may with or without cause modify or revoke any such appointment or authority at any time."

**CERTIFICATE**

I, the undersigned, Vice President of the ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, the COLONIAL AMERICAN CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY, and the FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND, do hereby certify that the foregoing Power of Attorney is still in full force and effect on the date of this certificate; and I do further certify that Article V, Section 8, of the By-Laws of the Companies is still in force.

This Power of Attorney and Certificate may be signed by facsimile under and by authority of the following resolution of the Board of Directors of the ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY at a meeting duly called and held on the 15th day of December 1998.

RESOLVED: "That the signature of the President or a Vice President and the attesting signature of a Secretary or an Assistant Secretary and the Seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile on any Power of Attorney...Any such Power or any certificate thereof bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Company."

This Power of Attorney and Certificate may be signed by facsimile under and by authority of the following resolution of the Board of Directors of the COLONIAL AMERICAN CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY at a meeting duly called and held on the 5th day of May, 1994, and the following resolution of the Board of Directors of the FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND at a meeting duly called and held on the 10th day of May, 1990.

RESOLVED: "That the facsimile or mechanically reproduced seal of the company and facsimile or mechanically reproduced signature of any Vice-President, Secretary, or Assistant Secretary of the Company, whether made heretofore or hereafter, wherever appearing upon a certified copy of any power of attorney issued by the Company, shall be valid and binding upon the Company with the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the corporate seals of the said Companies, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.



*Gerald F. Haley*

Gerald F. Haley, Vice President



**ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY  
COLONIAL AMERICAN CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY  
FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND  
POWER OF ATTORNEY**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That the ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, a corporation of the State of New York, the COLONIAL AMERICAN CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY, a corporation of the State of Maryland, and the FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND a corporation of the State of Maryland (herein collectively called the "Companies"), by **MICHAEL BOND, Vice President**, in pursuance of authority granted by Article V, Section 8, of the By-Laws of said Companies, which are set forth on the reverse side hereof and are hereby certified to be in full force and effect on the date hereof, do hereby nominate, constitute, and appoint **Michael A. HOLMES, Deborah DICKSON, Gerald J. ARCH and James F. MURPHY, all of West Palm Beach, Florida, EACH** its true and lawful agent and Attorney-in-Fact, to make, execute, seal and deliver, for, and on its behalf as surety, and as its act and deed: **any and all bonds and undertakings**, and the execution of such bonds or undertakings in pursuance of these presents, shall be as binding upon said Companies, as fully and amply, to all intents and purposes, as if they had been duly executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of the ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY at its office in New York, New York., the regularly elected officers of the COLONIAL AMERICAN CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY at its office in Owings Mills, Maryland., and the regularly elected officers of the FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND at its office in Owings Mills, Maryland., in their own proper persons.

The said Vice President does hereby certify that the extract set forth on the reverse side hereof is a true copy of Article V, Section 8, of the By-Laws of said Companies, and is now in force.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Vice-President has hereunto subscribed his/her names and affixed the Corporate Seals of the said **ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, COLONIAL AMERICAN CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY, and FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND**, this 14th day of April, A.D. 2016.

ATTEST:

**ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY  
COLONIAL AMERICAN CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY  
FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND**



By: *Eric D. Barnes*  
*Secretary*  
*Eric D. Barnes*

*Michael Bond*  
*Vice President*  
*Michael Bond*

State of Maryland  
County of Baltimore

On this 14th day of April, A.D. 2016, before the subscriber, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland, duly commissioned and qualified, **MICHAEL BOND, Vice President, and ERIC D. BARNES, Secretary**, of the Companies, to me personally known to be the individuals and officers described in and who executed the preceding instrument, and acknowledged the execution of same, and being by me duly sworn, depose and saith, that he/she is the said officer of the Company aforesaid, and that the seals affixed to the preceding instrument are the Corporate Seals of said Companies, and that the said Corporate Seals and the signature as such officer were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority and direction of the said Corporations.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal the day and year first above written.

*Maria D. Adamski*

Maria D. Adamski, Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: July 8, 2019



