

LOCAL GOVERNMENT will have the option to: (1) continue the work under the Agreement; (2) elect to terminate the Agreement pursuant to the termination provisions set forth in Article XI; or (3) agree to a new stop work suspension period as determined by the Department. No delay damages or consequential damages will be recoverable as a result of any stop work suspension period.

**ARTICLE VII
FINAL PAYMENT**

Upon completion of the work by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT and acceptance by the DEPARTMENT of the work, including the receipt of any final written submission by the LOCAL GOVERNMENT and a final statement of costs, the DEPARTMENT shall submit the certified final payment voucher to GSFIC and, after receipt of reimbursement from GSFIC, shall pay to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT a sum equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the total compensation as set forth in all approved invoices, less the total of all previous partial payments, paid or in the process of payment, contingent upon the availability of TIA FUNDS as set forth in ARTICLE VI, COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT.

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT agrees that acceptance of this final payment shall be in full and final settlement of all claims arising against the DEPARTMENT or the State for work done, materials furnished, costs incurred, or otherwise arising out of this Agreement and shall release the DEPARTMENT and the State from any and all further claims of whatever nature, whether known or unknown, for and on account of said Agreement, and for any and all work done, and labor and materials furnished, in connection with the same.

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT will allow examination and verification of costs by the DEPARTMENT and GSFIC's representative(s) before final payment is made, in accordance with the provisions of Article IX, MAINTENANCE OF CONTRACT COST RECORDS, herein. If the DEPARTMENT or any authorized entity's examination of the contract cost records, as provided for in Article IX, results in unallowable expenses, the LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall immediately be responsible for reimbursing the DEPARTMENT the full amount of such disallowed expenses.

**ARTICLE VIII
SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES**

No material changes in the scope, character, complexity, or duration of the PROJECTS from those required under the Agreement or from the general description of the PROJECTS as approved by the DEPARTMENT shall be allowed without the execution of a written Supplemental Agreement between the DEPARTMENT and LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

Minor changes in the work which do not involve increased compensation, extensions of time, or changes in the goals and objectives of the PROJECTS, may be made by written notification of such change by either party with written approval by the other party.

**ARTICLE IX
MAINTENANCE OF CONTRACT COST RECORDS**

The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall maintain all books, documents, papers, accounting records, and other evidence pertaining to costs incurred on the PROJECTS and used in support of its proposal and shall make such material available at all reasonable times during the period of the Agreement, and for seven years from the date of final payment under the Agreement, for inspection by the DEPARTMENT, any authorized entity, any reviewing agencies, and the Citizen Review Panel as referenced in the ACT; and copies thereof shall be furnished upon request. The LOCAL GOVERNMENT agrees that the provisions of this Article shall be included in any Agreement it may make with any engineering firm, contractor, subcontractor, assignee, or transferee. The LOCAL GOVERNMENT shall provide any and all information and/or documentation requested by GDOT or GSFIC, when either state agency is complying with the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 48-8-249(d).