GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS FOR PRICE REASONABLENESS

AGENCY:

Office of the General Counsel (OGC)

CONTRACT NO:

CFOPD-20-C-004A

CONTRACTOR:

Ballard Spahr LLP

CAPTION:

Bond Counsel Services

FINDINGS

1. **AUTHORIZATION:**

Financial Management and Control Order No. 03-002

2. MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

The Office of the Chief Financial Officer ("OCFO") for the District of Columbia ("District") and the Office of Contracts on behalf of the Office of the General Counsel has a requirement for Bond Counsel Services.

3. <u>ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE AND REASONABLENESS</u> DETERMINATION:

The estimated contract total price is \$950,000.00.

Contract Specialist Reasonableness Determination:

- (a) The cost of this contract is of a type generally recognized as ordinary and necessary for the conduct of the contractor or the performance of the contract.
- (b) This contract includes the restraints or requirements imposed by generally accepted sound business practices, arms-length bargaining, federal and District laws and regulations, and contract terms and specifications.
- (c) This action is an action that a prudent business person would take, considering responsibilities to the owner of the business, employees, customers, the District, and the public at large.
- (d) There are no significant deviations from the established practices of the contractor that may unjustifiably increase the contract costs.
- (e) There are no other relevant factors that should be noted at this time.
- (f) A review of wage rates for specialized consultants with over 20 years of experience in the area and for these services indicates that the costs associated with this contract is commensurate with the general market.

4. <u>JUSTIFICATION OF REASONABLENESS OF PRICE:</u>

The Contracting Officer has performed an analysis to determine the reasonableness of the price and the Contracting Officer has found that the price is fair and reasonable.

The Contracting Officer has compared prices of this contract with the independent District cost estimate and has determined the price to be fair and reasonable.

5. <u>CERTIFICATION BY CONTRACT SPECIALIST</u>

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the above reasonableness findings and cost price analysis are true and complete and the proposed Contractor's pricing is reasonable and in the best interest of the Government.

James E. Crenshaw Contract Specialist

Based on the above reasonableness findings and cost price analysis, it is hereby determined that the award of the proposed contract to Ballard Spahr LLP is reasonable and is in the best interest of the Government of the District of Columbia.

DETERMINATION

Anthony A. Stoyer, CPPO Contracting Officer

Date

November 1, 2019