GENERAL NOTES

CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE NOTES AND SPECIFICATIONS CONTAINED HEREIN. CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE TO ENSURE THAT ALL SUBCONTRACTORS FULLY AND COMPLETELY CONFORM TO AND COMPLY WITH THESE REQUIREMENTS.

1. THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE AS PART OF THIS SITE PLAN:
   - SURVEY - "PARTIAL BOUNDARY & TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY, BANK OF AMERICA, 500 FOREST AVENUE, PORTLAND, MAINE, CHART 116, LOT E001" PREPARED BY CONTROL POINT ASSOCIATES, INC. DATED APRIL 22, 2015.

   PRIOR TO THE START OF CONSTRUCTION, THE CONTRACTOR MUST VERIFY THAT HE/SHE HAS THE LATEST EDITION OF THE DOCUMENTS REFERENCED ABOVE. THIS IS CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY.
2. ALL ACCESSIBLE (AKA ADA) PARKING SPACES MUST BE CONSTRUCTED TO MEET, AT A MINIMUM, THE MORE STRINGENT OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE "AMERICANS WITH DISABILITES ACT" (ADA) CODE (42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq. AND 42 U.S.C. § 4151 et seq.) OR THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE JURISDICTION WHERE THE PROJECT IS TO BE CONSTRUCTED, AND ANY AND ALL AMENDMENTS TO BOTH WHICH ARE IN EFFECT WHEN THESE PLANS ARE COMPLETED.
3. PRIOR TO STARTING CONSTRUCTION, THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE TO ENSURE THAT ALL REQUIRED PERMITS AND APPROVALS HAVE BEEN OBTAINED. NO CONSTRUCTION OR FABRICATION SHALL BEGIN UNTIL THE CONTRACTOR HAS RECEIVED AND THOROUGHLY REVIEWED THE COMMENTS THAT ALL PERMITS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE PERMITTING AUTHORITIES AND CONFIRMED THAT ALL NECESSARY OR REQUIRED PERMITS HAVE BEEN OBTAINED. CONTRACTOR MUST HAVE COPIES OF ALL PERMITS AND APPROVALS ON SITE AT ALL TIMES.
4. THE OWNER/CONTRACTOR MUST BE FAMILIAR WITH AND RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF ANY AND ALL CERTIFICATIONS REQUIRED FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY.
5. ALL WORK MUST BE PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THESE PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL, AND ALL APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS, RULES, REGULATIONS, STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS, CODES, LAWS AND STANDARDS OF ALL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES WITH JURISDICTION OVER THIS PROJECT.
6. THE GEOTECHNICAL REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS SET FORTH HEREIN ARE A PART OF THE REQUIRED CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS AND, IN CASE OF CONFLICT, DISCREPANCY OR AMBIGUITY, THE MORE STRINGENT REQUIREMENTS AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN THE PLANS AND THE GEOTECHNICAL REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS SHALL TAKE PRECEDENCE UNLESS SPECIFICALLY NOTED OTHERWISE ON THE PLANS. THE CONTRACTOR MUST NOTIFY THE ENGINEER, IN WRITING, OF ANY SUCH CONFLICT, DISCREPANCY OR AMBIGUITY BETWEEN THE GEOTECHNICAL REPORTS AND PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS PRIOR TO PROCEEDING WITH ANY FURTHER WORK.
7. THESE PLANS ARE BASED ON INFORMATION PROVIDED TO BOHLER ENGINEERING BY THE OWNER AND OTHERS PRIOR TO THE TIME OF PLAN PREPARATION. CONTRACTOR MUST FIELD VERIFY EXISTING CONDITIONS AND NOTIFY BOHLER ENGINEERING, IN WRITING, IMMEDIATELY IF ACTUAL SITE CONDITIONS DIFFER FROM THOSE SHOWN ON THE PLAN, OR IF THE PROPOSED WORK CONFLICTS WITH ANY OTHER SITE FEATURES.
8. ALL DIMENSIONS SHOWN ON THE PLANS MUST BE FIELD VERIFIED BY THE CONTRACTOR PRIOR TO THE START OF CONSTRUCTION. CONTRACTOR MUST NOTIFY ENGINEER, IN WRITING, IF ANY CONFLICTS, DISCREPANCIES, OR AMBIGUITIES EXIST PRIOR TO PROCEEDING WITH CONSTRUCTION. NO EXTRA COMPENSATION WILL BE PAID TO THE CONTRACTOR FOR WORK WHICH HAS TO BE redone OR REPAIRED DUE TO DIMENSIONS OR GRADES SHOWN INCORRECTLY ON THESE PLANS PRIOR TO CONTRACTOR GIVING ENGINEER WRITTEN NOTIFICATION OF SAME AND ENGINEER, THEREAFTER, PROVIDING CONTRACTOR WITH WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH SUCH ADDITIONAL WORK.
9. CONTRACTOR MUST REFER TO THE ARCHITECTURAL/BUILDING PLANS 'OF RECORD' FOR EXACT LOCATIONS AND DIMENSIONS OF ENTRY/EXIT POINTS, ELEVATIONS, PRECISE BUILDING DIMENSIONS, AND EXACT BUILDING UTILITY LOCATIONS.
10. PRIOR TO THE START OF CONSTRUCTION, THE CONTRACTOR MUST COORDINATE THE BUILDING LAYOUT BY CAREFUL REVIEW OF THE ENTIRE SITE PLAN AND THE LATEST ARCHITECTURAL PLANS (INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, STRUCTURAL, MECHANICAL, ELECTRICAL, PLUMBING AND FIRE SUPPRESSION PLAN, WHERE APPLICABLE). CONTRACTOR MUST IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY OWNER, ARCHITECT AND SITE ENGINEER, IN WRITING, OF ANY CONFLICTS, DISCREPANCIES OR AMBIGUITIES WHICH EXIST.
11. DEBRIS MUST NOT BE BURIED ON THE SUBJECT SITE AND ALL UNSUITABLE EXCAVATED MATERIAL AND DEBRIS (SOLID WASTE) MUST BE DISPOSED OF IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF ANY AND ALL GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES WHICH HAVE JURISDICTION OVER THIS PROJECT OR OVER CONTRACTOR.
12. THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR IDENTIFYING WHEN SHORING IS REQUIRED AND FOR INSTALLING ALL SHORING REQUIRED DURING EXCAVATION (TO BE PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH CURRENT OSHA STANDARDS) AND ANY ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN TO ASSURE THE STABILITY OF ADJACENT, NEARBY AND CONTIGUOUS STRUCTURES AND PROPERTIES.
13. THE CONTRACTOR IS TO EXERCISE EXTREME CARE WHEN PERFORMING ANY WORK ACTIVITIES ADJACENT TO PAVEMENT, STRUCTURES, ETC. WHICH ARE TO REMAIN EITHER FOR AN INITIAL PHASE OF THE PROJECT OR AS PART OF THE FINAL CONDITION. CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR TAKING ALL APPROPRIATE MEASURES REQUIRED TO ENSURE THE STRUCTURAL STABILITY OF SIDEWALKS AND PAVEMENT, UTILITIES, BUILDINGS, AND INFRASTRUCTURE WHICH ARE TO REMAIN, AND TO PROVIDE A SAFE WORK AREA FOR THIRD PARTIES, PEDESTRIANS AND ANYONE INVOLVED WITH THE PROJECT.
14. THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR REPAIRING ANY DAMAGE DONE TO ANY NEW OR EXISTING CONSTRUCTION OR PROPERTY DURING THE COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO DRAINAGE, UTILITIES, PAVEMENT, STRIPING, CURB, ETC. AND SHALL BEAR ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH SAME TO INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, REDESIGN, RE-SURVEY, RE-PERMITTING AND CONSTRUCTION. THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR AND MUST REPLACE ALL SIGNS, INTERCONNECT CABLE, WIRING CONDUITS, AND ANY UNDERGROUND ACCESSORY EQUIPMENT DAMAGED DURING CONSTRUCTION AND MUST BEAR ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH SAME. THE REPAIR OF ANY SUCH NEW OR EXISTING CONSTRUCTION OR PROPERTY MUST RESTORE SUCH CONSTRUCTION OR PROPERTY TO A CONDITION EQUIVALENT TO OR BETTER THAN THE CONDITIONS PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF THE CONSTRUCTION, AND IN CONFORMANCE WITH APPLICABLE CODES, LAWS RULES, REGULATIONS, STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS AND STATUTES. CONTRACTOR MUST BEAR ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH SAME. CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE TO DOCUMENT ALL EXISTING DAMAGE AND TO NOTIFY THE OWNER AND THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER PRIOR TO THE START OF CONSTRUCTION.
15. ALL CONCRETE MUST BE AIR ENTRAINED AND HAVE THE MINIMUM COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH OF 4,000 PSI AT 28 DAYS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED ON THE PLANS, DETAILS AND/OR GEOTECHNICAL REPORT.
16. THE ENGINEER IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR CONSTRUCTION METHODS, MEANS, TECHNIQUES OR PROCEDURES, GENERALLY OR FOR THE CONSTRUCTION MEAN, METHODS, TECHNIQUES OR PROCEDURES FOR COMPLETION OF THE WORK DEPICTED BOTH ON THESE PLANS, AND FOR ANY CONFLICTS/SCOPE REVISIONS WHICH RESULT FROM SAME. CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR DETERMINING THE METHODS/MEANS FOR COMPLETION OF THE WORK PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION.
17. THE ENGINEER OF RECORD IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR JOB SITE SAFETY. THE ENGINEER OF RECORD HAS NOT BEEN RETAINED TO PERFORM OR BE RESPONSIBLE FOR JOB SITE SAFETY, SAME BEING WHOLLY OUTSIDE OF ENGINEER'S SERVICES AS RELATED TO THE PROJECT. THE ENGINEER OF RECORD IS NOT RESPONSIBLE TO IDENTIFY OR REPORT ANY JOB SITE SAFETY ISSUES, AT ANY TIME.
18. ALL CONTRACTORS MUST CARRY THE SPECIFIED STATUTORY WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE, EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY INSURANCE AND LIMITS OF COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE (CGL). ALL CONTRACTORS MUST HAVE THEIR CGL POLICIES ENDORSED TO NAME BOHLER ENGINEERING, AND ITS PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE OWNERS, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, PARTNERS, SHAREHOLDERS, MEMBERS, PRINCIPALS, COMMISSIONERS, AGENTS, SERVANTS, EMPLOYEES, AFFILIATES, SUBSIDIARIES, AND RELATED ENTITIES, AND ITS SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUBCONSULTANTS AS ADDITIONAL NAMED INSURED AND TO PROVIDE CONTRACTUAL LIABILITY COVERAGE SUFFICIENT TO INSURE THIS HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNITY OBLIGATIONS ASSUMED BY THE CONTRACTORS. ALL CONTRACTORS MUST FURNISH BOHLER ENGINEERING WITH CERTIFICATIONS OF INSURANCE AS EVIDENCE OF THE REQUIRED INSURANCE PRIOR TO COMMENCING WORK AND UPON RENEWAL OF EACH POLICY DURING THE ENTIRE PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION AND FOR ONE YEAR AFTER THE COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION. IN ADDITION, ALL CONTRACTORS WILL TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED UNDER THE LAW, INDEMNIFY, DEFEND AND HOLD HARMLESS BOHLER ENGINEERING AND ITS PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE OWNERS, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, PARTNERS, SHAREHOLDERS, MEMBERS, PRINCIPALS, COMMISSIONERS, AGENTS, SERVANTS, EMPLOYEES, AFFILIATES, SUBSIDIARIES, AND RELATED ENTITIES, AND ITS SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUBCONSULTANTS FROM AND AGAINST ANY DAMAGES, INJURIES, CLAIMS, ACTIONS, PENALTIES, EXPENSES, PUNITIVE DAMAGES, TORT DAMAGES, STATUTORY CLAIMS, STATUTORY CAUSES OF ACTION, LOSSES, CAUSES OF ACTION, LIABILITIES OR COSTS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES AND DEFENSE COSTS, ARISING OUT OF OR IN ANY WAY CONNECTED WITH OR TO THE PROJECT, INCLUDING ALL CLAIMS BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CONTRACTORS, ALL CLAIMS BY THIRD PARTIES AND ALL CLAIMS RELATED TO THE PROJECT. CONTRACTOR MUST NOTIFY ENGINEER, IN WRITING, AT LEAST THIRTY (30) DAYS PRIOR TO ANY TERMINATION, SUSPENSION OR CHANGE OF ITS INSURANCE HEREUNDER.
19. BOHLER ENGINEERING WILL REVIEW OR TAKE OTHER APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE CONTRACTOR SUBMITTALS, SUCH AS SHOP DRAWINGS, PRODUCT DATA, SAMPLES, AND OTHER DATA, WHICH THE CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO SUBMIT, BUT ONLY FOR THE LIMITED PURPOSE OF CHECKING FOR CONFORMANCE WITH THE DESIGN INTENT AND THE INFORMATION SHOWN IN THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT DOCUMENTS. CONSTRUCTION MEANS AND/OR METHODS AND/OR TECHNIQUES OR PROCEDURES, COORDINATION OF THE WORK WITH OTHER TRADES, AND CONSTRUCTION SAFETY PRECAUTIONS ARE THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR AND BOHLER HAS NO RESPONSIBILITY OR LIABILITY FOR SAME.REVIEWS BY BOHLER ENGINEERING'S SHOP DRAWING REVIEW WILL BE CONDUCTED WITH REASONABLE PROMPTNESS WHILE ALLOWING SUFFICIENT TIME TO PERMIT ADEQUATE REVIEW. REVIEW OF A SPECIFIC ITEM MUST NOT INDICATE THAT BOHLER ENGINEERING HAS REVIEWED THE ENTIRE ASSEMBLY OF WHICH THE ITEM IS A COMPONENT. BOHLER ENGINEERING WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DEVIATIONS FROM THE CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS NOT PROMPTLY AND IMMEDIATELY BROUGHT TO ITS ATTENTION, IN WRITING, BY THE CONTRACTOR. BOHLER ENGINEERING WILL NOT BE REQUIRED TO REVIEW PARTIAL SUBMISSIONS OR THOSE FOR WHICH SUBMISSIONS OF CORRELATED ITEMS HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED.
20. NEITHER THE PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES OF BOHLER ENGINEERING, NOR THE PRESENCE OF BOHLER ENGINEERING AND/OR ITS PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE OWNERS, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, PARTNERS, SHAREHOLDERS, MEMBERS, PRINCIPALS, COMMISSIONERS, AGENTS, SERVANTS, EMPLOYEES, AFFILIATES, SUBSIDIARIES, AND RELATED ENTITIES, AND ITS SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUBCONSULTANTS AT A CONSTRUCTION/PROJECT SITE, SHALL RELIEVE THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR OF ITS OBLIGATIONS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, CONSTRUCTION MEANS, METHODS, SEQUENCE, TECHNIQUES OR PROCEDURES NECESSARY FOR PERFORMING, OVERSEEING, SUPERVISING AND COORDINATING THE WORK IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND COMPLIANCE ANY HEALTH OR SAFETY PRECAUTIONS REQUIRED BY ANY REGULATORY AGENCIES WITH JURISDICTION OVER THE PROJECT AND/OR PROPERTY. BOHLER ENGINEERING AND ITS PERSONNEL HAVE NO AUTHORITY TO EXERCISE ANY CONTROL OVER ANY CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTOR OR ITS EMPLOYEES IN CONNECTION WITH THEIR WORK OR ANY HEALTH OR SAFETY PROGRAMS OR PROCEDURES. THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR JOB SITE SAFETY. BOHLER ENGINEERING SHALL BE INDEMNIFIED BY THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR AND MUST BE NAMED AN ADDITIONAL INSURED UNDER THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR'S POLICIES OF GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE AS DESCRIBED ABOVE IN NOTE 19 FOR JOB SITE SAFETY.
21. IF THE CONTRACTOR DEVIATES FROM THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, INCLUDING THE NOTES CONTAINED HEREIN, WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING THE PRIOR WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION OF THE ENGINEER FOR SUCH DEVIATIONS, THE CONTRACTOR IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PAYMENT OF ALL COSTS INCURRED IN CORRECTING ANY WORK DONE WHICH DEVIATES FROM THE PLANS, ALL FINES AND/OR PENALTIES ASSESSED WITH RESPECT THERETO AND ALL COMPENSATORY OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES RESULTING THEREFROM AND, FURTHER, SHALL DEFEND, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE ENGINEER, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED UNDER THE LAW, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 19 HEREIN, FOR AND FROM ALL FEES, ATTORNEYS' FEES, DAMAGES, COSTS, JUDGMENTS, PENALTIES AND THE LIKE RELATED TO SAME.
22. CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTENANCE AND PROTECTION OF TRAFFIC PLAN FOR ALL WORK THAT AFFECTS PUBLIC TRAVEL EITHER IN THE R.O.W. OR ON SITE. THE COST FOR THIS ITEM MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACTOR'S PRICE.
23. ALL SIGNING AND PAVEMENT STRIPING MUST CONFORM TO MANUAL ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES OR LOCALLY APPROVED SUPPLEMENT.
24. ENGINEER IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY INJURY OR DAMAGES RESULTING FROM CONTRACTOR'S FAILURE TO BUILD OR CONSTRUCT IN STRICT ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED PLANS. IF CONTRACTOR AND/OR OWNER FAIL BUILD OR CONSTRUCT IN STRICT ACCORDANCE WITH APPROVED PLANS, THEY AGREE TO JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY INDEMNIFY AND HOLD ENGINEER HARMLESS FOR ALL INJURIES AND DAMAGES THAT ENGINEER SUFFERS AND COSTS THAT ENGINEER INCURS.
25. OWNER MUST MAINTAIN AND PRESERVE ALL PHYSICAL SITE FEATURES AND DESIGN FEATURES DEPICTED ON THE PLANS AND RELATED DOCUMENTS, IN STRICT ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED PLAN(S) AND DESIGN AND, FURTHER ENGINEER IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY FAILURE TO SO MAINTAIN OR PRESERVE SITE AND/OR DESIGN FEATURES. IF OWNER FAILS TO MAINTAIN AND/OR PRESERVE ALL PHYSICAL SITE FEATURES AND/OR DESIGN FEATURES DEPICTED ON THE PLANS AND RELATED DOCUMENTS, OWNER AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD ENGINEER HARMLESS FOR ALL INJURIES AND DAMAGES THAT ENGINEER SUFFERS AND COSTS THAT ENGINEER INCURS AS A RESULT OF SAID FAILURE.
26. ALL DIMENSIONS MUST BE TO FACE OF CURB, EDGE OF PAVEMENT, OR EDGE OF BUILDING, UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE.
27. ALL CONSTRUCTION AND MATERIALS MUST COMPLY WITH AND CONFORM TO APPLICABLE FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL REGULATIONS, LAWS, ORDINANCES, RULES AND CODES, AND ALL APPLICABLE OSHA REQUIREMENTS.
28. CONTRACTOR AND OWNER MUST INSTALL ALL ELEMENTS AND COMPONENTS IN STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH AND ACCORDANCE WITH MANUFACTURER'S STANDARDS AND RECOMMENDED INSTALLATION CRITERIA AND SPECIFICATIONS. IF CONTRACTOR AND/OR OWNER FAIL TO DO SO, THEY AGREE TO JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY INDEMNIFY AND HOLD ENGINEER HARMLESS FOR ALL INJURIES AND DAMAGES THAT ENGINEER SUFFERS AND COSTS THAT ENGINEER INCURS AS A RESULT OF SAID FAILURE.
29. CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE TO MAINTAIN ON-SITE STORMWATER POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN (SWPPP) IN COMPLIANCE WITH EPA REQUIREMENTS FOR SITES WHERE ONE (1) ACRE OR MORE (UNLESS THE LOCAL JURISDICTION REQUIRES FEWER) IS DISTURBED BY CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES. CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE TO ENSURE THAT ALL ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING THOSE OF SUBCONTRACTORS, ARE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SWPPP, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO LOGGING ACTIVITIES (MINIMUM ONCE PER WEEK AND AFTER RAINFALL EVENTS) AND CORRECTIVE MEASURES, AS APPROPRIATE.
30. AS CONTAINED IN THESE DRAWINGS AND ASSOCIATED APPLICATION DOCUMENTS PREPARED BY THE SIGNATORY PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER, THE USE OF THE WORDS CERTIFY OR CERTIFICATION CONSTITUTES AN EXPRESSION OF "PROFESSIONAL OPINION" REGARDING THE INFORMATION WHICH IS THE SUBJECT OF THE UNDERSIGNED PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE OR BELIEF AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMMON ACCEPTED PROCEDURE CONSISTENT WITH THE APPLICABLE STANDARDS OF PRACTICE, AND DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A WARRANTY OR GUARANTEE, EITHER EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED.

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GENERAL GRADING & UTILITY PLAN NOTES

1. LOCATIONS OF ALL EXISTING AND PROPOSED SERVICES ARE APPROXIMATE AND MUST BE INDEPENDENTLY CONFIRMED WITH LOCAL UTILITY COMPANIES PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF ANY CONSTRUCTION OR EXCAVATION. SANITARY SEWER AND ALL OTHER UTILITY SERVICE CONNECTION POINTS MUST BE INDEPENDENTLY CONFIRMED BY THE CONTRACTOR IN THE FIELD PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION. ALL DISCREPANCIES MUST IMMEDIATELY BE REPORTED, IN WRITING, TO THE ENGINEER. CONSTRUCTION MUST COMMENCE BEGINNING AT THE LOWEST INVERT (POINT OF CONNECTION) AND PROGRESS UP GRADIENT. PROPOSED INTERFACE POINTS (CROSSINGS) WITH EXISTING UNDERGROUND UTILITIES SHALL BE FIELD VERIFIED BY TEST PIT PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION.
2. CONTRACTOR MUST VERTICALLY AND HORIZONTALLY LOCATE ALL UTILITIES AND SERVICES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, GAS, WATER, ELECTRIC, SANITARY AND STORM SEWER, TELEPHONE, CABLE, FIBER OPTIC CABLE, ETC. WITHIN THE LIMITS OF DISTURBANCE OR WORK SPACE, WHICHEVER IS GREATER. THE CONTRACTOR MUST USE, REFER TO, AND COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE APPLICABLE UTILITY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM TO LOCATE ALL THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES. THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR REPAIRING ALL DAMAGE TO ANY EXISTING UTILITIES DURING CONSTRUCTION, AT NO COST TO THE OWNER. CONTRACTOR SHALL BEAR ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH DAMAGE TO ANY EXISTING UTILITIES DURING CONSTRUCTION.
3. IT IS THE CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO REVIEW ALL CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT DOCUMENTS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ALL OF THE DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROJECT WORK SCOPE PRIOR TO THE INITIATION AND COMMENCEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION. SHOULD THE CONTRACTOR FIND A CONFLICT AND/OR DISCREPANCY BETWEEN THE DOCUMENTS RELATIVE TO THE SPECIFICATIONS OR THE RELATIVE OR APPLICABLE CODES, REGULATIONS, LAWS, RULES, STATUTES AND/OR ORDINANCES, IT IS THE CONTRACTOR'S SOLE RESPONSIBILITY TO NOTIFY THE PROJECT ENGINEER OF RECORD, IN WRITING, OF SAID CONFLICT AND/OR DISCREPANCY PRIOR TO THE START OF CONSTRUCTION. CONTRACTOR'S FAILURE TO NOTIFY THE PROJECT ENGINEER SHALL CONSTITUTE CONTRACTOR'S FULL AND COMPLETE ACCEPTANCE OF ALL RESPONSIBILITY TO COMPLETE THE SCOPE OF WORK AS DEFINED BY THE DRAWINGS AND IN FULL COMPLIANCE WITH ALL FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL REGULATIONS, LAWS, STATUTES, ORDINANCES AND CODES AND, FURTHER, CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH SAME.
4. THE CONTRACTOR MUST LOCATE AND CLEARLY AND UNAMBIGUOUSLY DEFINE VERTICALLY AND HORIZONTALLY ALL ACTIVE AND INACTIVE UTILITY AND/OR SERVICE SYSTEMS THAT ARE TO BE REMOVED. THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE TO PROTECT AND MAINTAIN ALL ACTIVE AND INACTIVE SYSTEMS THAT ARE NOT BEING REMOVED/RELOCATED DURING SITE ACTIVITY.
5. THE CONTRACTOR MUST FAMILIARIZE ITSELF WITH THE APPLICABLE UTILITY SERVICE PROVIDER REQUIREMENTS AND IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL COORDINATION REGARDING UTILITY DEMOLITION AS IDENTIFIED OR REQUIRED FOR THE PROJECT. THE CONTRACTOR MUST PROVIDE THE OWNER WITH WRITTEN NOTIFICATION THAT THE EXISTING UTILITIES AND SERVICES HAVE BEEN TERMINATED AND ABANDONED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE JURISDICTION AND UTILITY COMPANY REQUIREMENTS AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS, RULES, STATUTES, LAWS, ORDINANCES AND CODES.
6. THE CONTRACTOR MUST INSTALL ALL STORM SEWER AND SANITARY SEWER COMPONENTS WHICH FUNCTION BY GRAVITY PRIOR TO THE INSTALLATION OF ALL OTHER UTILITIES.
7. CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR COORDINATION OF SITE PLAN DOCUMENTS AND ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN FOR EXACT BUILDING UTILITY CONNECTION LOCATIONS, GREASE TRAP REQUIREMENTS/DETAILS, DOOR ACCESS, AND EXTERIOR GRADING. THE ARCHITECT WILL DETERMINE THE UTILITY SERVICE SIZES. THE CONTRACTOR MUST COORDINATE INSTALLATION OF UTILITIES/SERVICES WITH THE INDIVIDUAL COMPANIES, TO AVOID CONFLICTS AND TO ENSURE THAT PROPER DEPTHS ARE ACHIEVED. THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING THAT INSTALLATION OF ALL IMPROVEMENTS COMPLIES WITH ALL UTILITY REQUIREMENTS WITH JURISDICTION AND/OR CONTROL OF THE SITE, AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS, RULES, STATUTES, LAWS, ORDINANCES AND CODES AND, FURTHER, IS RESPONSIBLE FOR COORDINATING THE UTILITY TIE-INS/CONNECTIONS PRIOR TO CONNECTING TO THE EXISTING UTILITY/SERVICE. WHERE A CONFLICT(S) EXISTS BETWEEN THESE SITE PLANS AND THE ARCHITECTURAL PLANS, OR WHERE ARCHITECTURAL PLAN UTILITY CONNECTION POINTS DIFFER, THE CONTRACTOR MUST IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY THE ENGINEER, IN WRITING, AND PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION, RESOLVE SAME.
8. WATER SERVICE MATERIALS, BURIAL DEPTH, AND COVER REQUIREMENTS MUST BE SPECIFIED BY THE LOCAL UTILITY COMPANY. CONTRACTOR'S PRICE FOR WATER SERVICE MUST INCLUDE ALL FEES, COSTS AND APPURTENANCES REQUIRED BY THE UTILITY TO PROVIDE FULL AND COMPLETE WORKING SERVICE. CONTRACTOR MUST CONTACT THE APPLICABLE MUNICIPALITY TO CONFIRM THE PROPER WATER METER AND VAULT, PRIOR TO COMMENCING CONSTRUCTION.
9. ALL NEW UTILITIES/SERVICES, INCLUDING ELECTRIC, TELEPHONE, CABLE TV, ETC. ARE TO BE INSTALLED UNDERGROUND. ALL NEW UTILITIES/SERVICES MUST BE INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UTILITY/SERVICE PROVIDER INSTALLATION SPECIFICATIONS AND STANDARDS.
10. SITE GRADING MUST BE PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THESE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS SET FORTH IN THE GEOTECHNICAL REPORT REFERENCED IN THIS PLAN SET. THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR REMOVING AND DISPOSING OF ALL UNSUITABLE MATERIALS AS SPECIFIED IN THE GEOTECHNICAL REPORT. ALL EXCAVATED OR FILLED AREAS MUST BE COMPACTED AS OUTLINED IN THE GEOTECHNICAL REPORT. MOISTURE CONTENT AT TIME OF PLACEMENT MUST BE SUBMITTED IN A COMPACTION REPORT PREPARED BY A QUALIFIED GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEER, REGISTERED WITH THE STATE WHERE THE WORK IS PERFORMED, VERIFYING THAT ALL FILLED AREAS AND SUBGRADE AREAS WITHIN THE BUILDING PAD AREA AND AREAS TO BE PAVED HAVE BEEN COMPACTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THESE PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS SET FORTH IN THE GEOTECHNICAL REPORT AND ALL APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS, RULES, STATUTES, LAWS, ORDINANCES AND CODES. SUBBASE MATERIAL FOR SIDEWALKS, CURB, OR ASPHALT MUST BE FREE OF ORGANICS AND OTHER UNSUITABLE MATERIALS. SHOULD SUBBASE BE DEEMED UNSUITABLE BY OWNER/DEVELOPER, OR OWNER/DEVELOPER'S REPRESENTATIVE, SUBBASE IS TO BE REMOVED AND FILLED WITH APPROVED FILL MATERIAL, COMPACTED AS DIRECTED BY THE GEOTECHNICAL REPORT. EARTHWORK ACTIVITIES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, EXCAVATION, BACKFILL, AND COMPACTING MUST COMPLY WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE GEOTECHNICAL REPORT AND ALL APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS, RULES, STATUTES, LAWS, ORDINANCES AND CODES. EARTHWORK ACTIVITIES MUST COMPLY WITH THE STANDARD STATE DOT SPECIFICATIONS FOR ROADWAY CONSTRUCTION (LATEST EDITION) AND ANY AMENDMENTS OR REVISIONS THERETO.
11. ALL FILL, COMPACTION, AND BACKFILL MATERIALS REQUIRED FOR UTILITY INSTALLATION MUST BE AS PER THE RECOMMENDATIONS PROVIDED IN THE GEOTECHNICAL REPORT AND MUST BE COORDINATED WITH THE APPLICABLE UTILITY COMPANY SPECIFICATIONS, WHEN THEY PRODUCE SUCH SPECIFICATIONS, OTHERWISE RECOMMENDATIONS, FILL AND COMPACTION MUST, AT A MINIMUM, COMPLY WITH THE STATE DOT REQUIREMENTS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND CONSULTANT SHALL HAVE NO LIABILITY OR RESPONSIBILITY FOR OR AS RELATED TO FILL, COMPACTION AND BACKFILL. FURTHER, CONTRACTOR IS FULLY RESPONSIBLE FOR EARTHWORK BALANCE.
12. THE CONTRACTOR MUST COMPLY, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT, WITH THE LATEST OSHA STANDARDS AND REGULATIONS, AND/OR ANY OTHER AGENCY WITH JURISDICTION FOR EXCAVATION AND TRENCHING PROCEDURES. THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR DETERMINING THE MEANS AND METHODS REQUIRED TO MEET THE PERFORMANCE CRITERIA OF OSHA, AS WELL AS ANY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY THAT HAS JURISDICTION FOR EXCAVATION AND/OR TRENCHING PROCEDURES AND CONSULTANT SHALL HAVE NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR OR AS RELATED FOR OR AS RELATED TO EXCAVATION AND TRENCHING PROCEDURES.
13. PAVEMENT MUST BE SAW CUT IN STRAIGHT LINES, AND EXCEPT FOR EDGE OF BUTT JOINTS, MUST EXTEND TO THE FULL DEPTH OF THE EXISTING PAVEMENT. ALL DEBRIS FROM REMOVAL OPERATIONS MUST BE REMOVED FROM THE SITE AT THE TIME OF EXCAVATION. STOCKPILING OF DEBRIS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED.
14. THE TOPS OF EXISTING MANHOLES, INLET STRUCTURES, AND SANITARY CLEANOUT TOPS MUST BE ADJUSTED, AS NECESSARY, TO MATCH PROPOSED GRADES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE STANDARDS, REQUIREMENTS, RULES, STATUTES, LAWS, ORDINANCES AND CODES.
15. DURING THE INSTALLATION OF SANITARY SEWER, STORM SEWER, AND ALL UTILITIES, THE CONTRACTOR MUST MAINTAIN A CONTEMPORANEOUS AND THOROUGH RECORD OF CONSTRUCTION TO