

AGREEMENT FOR VISIT GRAND JUNCTION MARKETING SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT IS MADE this 30 day of December 20 20,
between the City of Grand Junction ("City") acting through its Visit Grand Junction department
("VGJ") and Robert & Billie Witham, hereinafter "Contractor." Contractor's
Property: The Chateau at Two Rivers Winery

Recitals.

The City's People's Ordinance No. 34, imposed a Lodger's Tax for lodging and related purposes within the City. The City has used the proceeds to fund Visit Grand Junction (fka Grand Junction Visitor and Convention Bureau ("VCB")). Visit Grand Junction advertises the community, promotes tourism and visits, and attracts conferences, conventions and meetings to the City. Contractor desires to obtain the benefits of VGJ's efforts and programs.

In consideration of the mutual benefits, promises and efforts of the parties as set forth, the parties agree as follows:

Remittances

1. Contractor agrees to remit to the City, on a monthly basis, three percent (3%) of its gross revenue received or obtained from every purchaser of lodging, as provided herein.

No add on

2. The Contractor may collect and itemize the amounts due hereunder from any purchaser of lodging and Contractor may itemize the amounts due hereunder on any bill, invoice or other record given to or made available to any purchaser.

Use of funds

3. The City agrees to use such funds to supplement the efforts of VGJ.

No right to control VGJ

4. Contractor shall have no right to direct the efforts or decisions of Visit Grand Junction but will rely, without any right of review, on the judgment and decisions of VGJ. For the benefit of Contractor and lodging properties within the City, VGJ agrees to continue its efforts to provide the usual and customary services and marketing.
5. The terms "Finance Director", "lodging," "purchase or sale," and "purchasing lodging," shall have the meaning described in said People's Ordinance 34, as amended.

- 8.(a) Contractor shall be deemed to have materially breached this Agreement: if Contractor fails to make all payments as set forth herein or fails to submit complete, accurate and true reports as required herein or fails to allow complete access to the books and records of contractor for the purposes of auditing compliance with the terms hereof; if Contractor at any time, whether voluntarily or involuntarily, is the subject of a bankruptcy petition or if Contractor is placed in receivership or is the subject of an assignment for the benefit of creditors or has any assets or property seized under distraint for any taxes; or, if Contractor makes any false or fraudulent return or statement.
- (b) If Contractor breaches any provision of this agreement, VGJ may, immediately upon mailing notice thereof to Contractor, cease any further efforts which are of benefit to Contractor.

Liquidated damages

9. Because the advertising and promotional materials prepared by VGJ are prepared once a year early in the calendar year and, once printed, are distributed throughout the year, it is impossible to accurately estimate the damages suffered by the City or the benefits received by Contractor in the event that Contractor fails, once VGJ has arranged to print its brochures, to comply with the provisions of this agreement throughout the calendar year for which marketing or promotion had occurred or for subsequent periods. Therefore, the parties agree that liquidated damages are an appropriate remedy available to the City in the event of breach by Contractor. This is so because it will be impossible to calculate the benefits received by the Contractor after printing has been arranged for. Thus, the parties agree Contractor breaches this agreement, the City shall be entitled to liquidated damages in the amount of five percent (5%) of Contractor's annual gross revenues.

Rules and forms

10. Contractor agrees to abide by the requirements of the Finance Director of the City with regard to remittances, forms and reports required pursuant to this agreement. For example, the Finance Director will provide for the form of reports on gross revenues and the nature and extent of records which the Contractor shall keep. Unless inconsistent with a term of this agreement, the rules and processes applicable to the City's lodging tax shall apply to the extent possible (since some provisions of such rules are specific to the collection of taxes and are not appropriate for enforcing a contract).

Records

11. Each Contractor shall keep and preserve suitable records of all gross revenues received by Contractor and such are the records, books and accounts as may be required by the Finance Director in order to determine the amounts due and payable to the City hereunder. It shall be the duty of each Contractor to keep and preserve for a period of three years following the termination or expiration of this agreement all such books, invoices and other records and the same shall be open for examination without cost by the Finance Director at the location determined by the Finance Director. Normally, such review will occur at City Hall in Grand Junction, Colorado.

Underpayments

12. In the event that any such audit, inspection or examination determines that the amount of gross revenues remitted to the City for any prior period is less than the full amount owing to

the City pursuant to this agreement, the Contractor agrees that it shall pay, in addition to all other amounts owing to the City, to the City within 30 days of request by the City, ten percent (10%) of all amounts due and owing.

Confidentiality

13. Parties agree that, to the extent allowed by law, the City shall treat all such reports and information received from the Contractor pursuant to this agreement as confidential and not open to the inspection of the general public. However, any officer or employee of the City who may be charged with the duty of enforcement of this agreement shall be entitled to inspect any such records and any information supplemental thereto.

Right of access

14. The City's Finance Director or any of his agents or designees, shall have the right at any reasonable time to enter upon the premises of the Contractor to request to see the register or rate schedule maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of enforcing the terms of this agreement.

Right to investigate, conduct hearings

15. For the purpose of enabling the City to ascertain the correctness of the monthly reports or the amounts remitted to the City, Contractor agrees that the Finance Director of the City may make such investigations and hold such hearings concerning the matters covered by this agreement and may examine any relevant books, papers, records or memoranda and that any employee, agent, officer or contractor who contracts with the Contractor shall at the request of the Finance Director make any and all such persons available at City Hall in Grand Junction for the purpose of taking their statement and reviewing their documents and knowledge.

Estimates, penalty, assessment

- 16.(a) In the event that the Contractor fails to remit all amounts due and owing to the City or fails to submit the required reports, the Finance Director may make an estimate based on the information available to the Finance Director of the amount of money owing to the City and, upon such basis, compute and assess, in addition thereto, an amount equal to ten percent (10%) thereof, together with interest on any such delinquent amounts at the rate of one and one-half percent (1½%) per month from the date when due until paid in full.
 - (b) In such event, the Finance Director shall give to the Contractor written notice of such estimates, penalty and interest which notice shall be placed in the U. S. Mail, postage prepaid, First Class at the address of the Contractor.
 - (c) Any such estimate shall become due and payable in full to the Finance Director from the Contractor twenty (20) days from the date of mailing the notice, provided however, that within such twenty (20) day period, the Contractor may submit a written petition to the Finance Director for a revision or modification of such amounts and, within such twenty (20) day period, furnish the Finance Director with such documents, facts and figures which show the correct amount.
 - (d) The Finance Director may, following his review of the information supplied by the Contractor, modify the amount due and owing by the Contractor. Should a dispute arise

between the Contractor and the City as to whether or not any amounts are due and owing to the City, Contractor shall nevertheless remit to the City and pay to the City, all such amounts. The Contractor may thereafter apply to the Finance Director for a refund of any such amounts paid to the City.

- (e) The Finance Director may waive, for good cause shown, any penalty, interest or other amount imposed as provided herein.

Contractor's representations

- 17. Contractor represents that it is the owner of the property and that it has the authority to enter into this agreement on the terms and conditions set forth. If Contractor needs to obtain the consent or agreement of another party in order to effectuate this agreement, Contractor agrees to do so. Contractor shall provide a copy of a corporate resolution establishing that a corporate officer who signs this agreement has the full authority to bind the corporation to this agreement.

Deposit

- 18. Contractor agrees to deposit, at the time of execution hereof, the sum of \$500.00 to be held by the City, without interest. Unless Contractor has breached this agreement, the City shall return such deposit, without interest, within thirty (30) days of termination or expiration of this agreement unless Contractor owes money to the City in which case the City shall make appropriate deductions before remitting the balance of the deposit, if any, to Contractor.

Binding nature

- 19. This agreement shall bind the signatory parties and their respective heirs, successors and assigns.

Contractor's remedies limited

- 20. The Contractor's remedies, upon non-performance by VGJ, the City or the employees of either, pursuant to this Agreement, are limited as provided in this section. The Contractor shall give notice of default to the City Manager specifying the action giving cause to said default. The City shall have 30 days from its receipt of said notice to correct the alleged default. Upon the correction of said default within the 30-day period the agreement shall be restored, and all terms and conditions will be in full force and effect. In the event a default is not timely corrected, the Contractor has only the right or remedy to sue for specific performance or to sue to recoup remittances made pursuant to section 1 hereof of which remittances were paid during period(s) when VGJ was in default. Further, except as specifically provided in the foregoing sentence, Contractor agrees that, in the event VGJ, or the City, breaches this agreement or any provision hereof or acts or fails to act such that Contractor is injured or damaged, Contractor waives, and releases, VGJ and the City with respect to any rights to claim or obtain any damages whether indirect, special or consequential.

Entire agreement

- 21. This agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties and supersedes any prior discussions, agreements or negotiations.

Notice

22. Notice pursuant to this agreement shall be given by first certified mail to the address listed under the signature lines or to such other address as a party may hereafter designate by certified mail.

Term

23. The term of this agreement is for the period from **January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021**. In the event People's Ordinance 34 is repealed or found to be unconstitutional or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, this agreement shall terminate. This agreement shall terminate if the Property is annexed to the City; such termination shall be effective when the City's lodging tax becomes effective as to the Property.

Collection costs

24. In case of failure to pay the amounts owing to the City hereunder, or any portion thereof, Contractor agrees to pay to the City, in addition to amounts otherwise provided for herein, reasonable attorney's fees (including the cost to the City for the use of the City's attorneys), plus the costs of any experts, plus costs.

Attorneys Fees

25. Each party agrees to pay its own attorney's fees if litigation arises hereunder or as a result from enforcement or interpretation of this agreement.

Statute of limitations

26. Contractor agrees that the City may commence efforts to collect amounts due hereunder at any time during the three full calendar years after the date on which any amount was or is payable to the City. Contractor agrees to waive any statutory provision which is more favorable to the Contractor. In the event of a false or fraudulent report or remittance, Contractor agrees that the time within which the City may commence to collect amounts due hereunder shall be ten years after the date on which any amount is due or payable to the City.

Severability

27. The parties agree that the several provisions and terms of this agreement are intended to be severable. If any such provision, sentence, clause or term is declared unenforceable or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such unenforceability or invalidity shall not affect the remaining terms, provisions, sentences or clauses.



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Attest:

Wanda Winkelmann

Wanda Winkelmann
City Clerk

By:

E. Fogarty

Elizabeth Fogarty
Director
Visit Grand Junction

Attest:

Secretary

By:

Robert G. Witham

(Owner/Manager)

ROBERT G. WITHAM
(Please print name)

PRESIDENT
Title

Address:

2087 BROADWAY
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