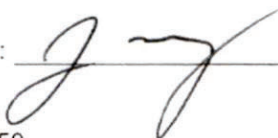


# PURCHASING POLICY EXCEPTION FORM

**FROM:**

DATE: 05/23/2024  
DEPARTMENT: Animal Services  
VENDOR: Hickory Hill Veterinary Services LLC

DEPT DIRECTOR/  
MGR SIGNATURE:  DATE: 05/23/2024

**Amount of Invoice:** \$3,412.50 **Invoice Date:** 12/30/2023

The attached request for disbursement does not appear to be in compliance with County Purchasing Policy, for the following reason:

Services were provided by the relief veterinarian prior to the Purchase Order being obtained.

**Please forward all documentation with this form attached, and letter of explanation, to the Chief Procurement Officer.**


**TO:** CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER  
Please review, and upon approval, forward to County Administration.

 Date: 5/30/24

Resolution: Approved.

**To process this disbursement, the request must be approved by the County Administrator.**

**TO:** COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
Please review, and upon approval, forward to the Finance Department for processing.  
APPROVED FOR PAYMENT:

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR (or designee):   
DATE: 6/5/24

APPROVED FOR PAYMENT:  
FINANCE DIRECTOR/  
ASST. FINANCE DIRECTOR  Date: \_\_\_\_\_

NON-PO Reg 73727

Inv. Date 12/30/23

Inv. 1

Hickory Hill Veterinary Services LLC  
26358 Hickory Hill Road  
Brooksville, FL 34602  
561.909.7005  
[Hickoryhillvet@gmail.com](mailto:Hickoryhillvet@gmail.com)

INVOICE 12/18/2023 - 12/30/2023

TIME (hours)

12/19/2023 8:30a-2:30p: Administrative meeting with JT, orientation to clinic, met with veterinary staff to discuss protocols, equipment, needs list and tour of facility. 6.0

12/20/2023 8:00a-12p: Rounds and treatment of kennel patients and evaluation of pets in treatment. 4.0

12/22/2023 7:00-7:35 Telephone conference with JT regarding personnel and implementation of protocols as AS 0.5

12/27/2023 8:30a-3:30p Rounds and treatment of kennel pets; physical exams on sick pets and creation of treatment plans with medication administration orders 7.0

12/29/2023 9:00a-3:45p Rounds and treatment of kennel pets; physical exams on sick pets and creation of treatment plans with medication administration orders 6.75

12/30/2023 11:30-12pm Conversation with TJA regarding URI in adopted cat and discussion re: PCR results from canine samples 0.5

TOTAL HOURS FOR PERIOD: 24.75

Due for services: 6 hours @100/hr

18.75 hours @150

Total

\$600

\$2812.50

\$3412.50

Please remit payment via direct deposit, or check to Hickory Hill Veterinary Services LLC, mailed to:  
26358 Hickory Hill Road  
Brooksville, FL 34602

01421-5303101

*Rec'd 4/14/24*

## Jane Gonzalez

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**From:** Fran Hallet  
**Sent:** Monday, March 11, 2024 4:18 PM  
**To:** James Terry; Jane Gonzalez  
**Cc:** Debbie Merritt; Carla Rossiter-Smith; Chris Linsbeck  
**Subject:** RE: Hickory Hill Veterinary Services, LLC - GL COI  
**Attachments:** 24000682.pdf

Good afternoon,

The PO has been issued for Hickory Hill Vet. I spoke with Chris and advised that any prior invoices can not be paid using this PO. You can try to put them in as Non-PO's and if they are not excepted, they will need to be processed as a Purchasing Policy Exception. These are for medical costs, so they are on the list as allowable through Non-PO.

### 30. Direct (Non-PO) Payments

The following types of payments are exempt from the competitive solicitation requirements of this Manual but must be approved in accordance with the authorized individual as set forth in Table 1 – Process Thresholds. All departments shall submit payment requests via the County Financial Management System for Non-PO workflow for the following items:

- A. Postage/Shipping;
- B. Books, subscriptions, publications and legal advertisements;
- C. Memberships and associated fees;
- D. Medical and dental services;
- E. Legal, accounting and financial advisory services;

Thank you,

*Fran Hallet*

Procurement Coordinator  
Hernando County Procurement Department  
15470 Flight Path Dr.  
Brooksville, FL 34604  
[fhallet@co.hernando.fl.us](mailto:fhallet@co.hernando.fl.us)  
352-754-4020

**From:** James Terry <JTerry@co.hernando.fl.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 11, 2024 8:32 AM  
**To:** Jane Gonzalez <jlgonzalez@co.hernando.fl.us>  
**Cc:** Debbie Merritt <DMerritt@co.hernando.fl.us>; Fran Hallet <FHallet@co.hernando.fl.us>; Carla Rossiter-Smith <CRossiter-Smith@co.hernando.fl.us>; Chris Linsbeck <CLinsbeck@co.hernando.fl.us>  
**Subject:** RE: Hickory Hill Veterinary Services, LLC - GL COI

Approved. Thank you

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

Contract No. 24-PS0141/EK

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into this day, 15th day of December, 2023, by and between HERNANDO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, 15470 Flight Path Drive, Brooksville, Florida, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, hereinafter called the COUNTY and Hickory Hill Veterinary Services LLC doing business at 26358 Hickory Hill Road, Brooksville, FL 34602, authorized to conduct business in the State of Florida, hereinafter called the PROFESSIONAL.

WITNESSETH:

**SECTION 1.** The COUNTY does hereby retain the PROFESSIONAL to furnish certain services in connection with: Relief Veterinary Services for Hernando County Animal Services.

**SECTION 2.** The PROFESSIONAL and the COUNTY mutually agree to furnish, each to the other, the respective services, information and terms as described in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Before any additions or deletions to the work described in Exhibit "A", and before undertaking any changes or revisions to such work, the parties shall negotiate any necessary cost changes and shall enter into a supplemental written AGREEMENT covering such modifications and the compensation to be paid therefor.

Reference herein to this Agreement shall be considered to include any supplement thereto.

Reference herein to COUNTY Administrator shall mean the Hernando County Administrator or his designee.

**SECTION 3.** The services indicated in Exhibit "A" to be rendered by the PROFESSIONAL shall be commenced, subsequent to the execution of this AGREEMENT, upon written notice from the Hernando County Administrator, and shall be completed upon the hiring of a full-time veterinarian for Hernando County Animal Services.

**SECTION 4.** The PROFESSIONAL agrees to provide Project Schedule progress reports in a format acceptable to the COUNTY, either monthly or at intervals established by the COUNTY. The COUNTY will be entitled at all times to be advised, at its request, as to the status of work being done by the PROFESSIONAL and of the details thereof. Coordination shall be maintained by the PROFESSIONAL with representatives of the COUNTY. Either party to the Agreement may request and be granted a conference.

**SECTION 5.** In the event there are delays on the part of the COUNTY as to the approval of any of the materials submitted by the PROFESSIONAL, as if there are delays occasioned by circumstances beyond the control of the PROFESSIONAL which delay the project schedule completion date, the COUNTY shall grant to the PROFESSIONAL, by "Letter of Time Extension" an extension of the contract time, equal to the aforementioned delays, provided there are no changes in compensation or scope of work, except those changes that may be agreed upon between the parties hereto.



It shall be the responsibility of the PROFESSIONAL to ensure at all times that sufficient contract time remains within which to complete all services on the project. In the event there have been delays that would affect the project completion date, the PROFESSIONAL shall submit a written request to the COUNTY that identifies the reason(s) for the delay and the amount of time related to each reason. The COUNTY shall timely review the request and make a determination as to granting all or part of the requested

**SECTION 6.** The PROFESSIONAL shall maintain an adequate and competent professional staff within the State of Florida and may associate with Specialists, Sub-Professionals and/or other Professionals, for the purpose of its services hereunder, without additional cost to the COUNTY. Should the PROFESSIONAL desire to utilize other Specialists, Sub-Professionals and/or Professionals in the performance of the work, the PROFESSIONAL shall be responsible for satisfactory completion of all such Specialists', Sub-Professionals' and/or other Professionals' work, and may not assign or transfer work under this Agreement to other Specialists, Sub-Professionals or Professionals unless approved in writing by the COUNTY. It is agreed that only Specialists, Sub-Professionals and/or other Professionals that have been approved by an authorized representative of the COUNTY will be used by the PROFESSIONAL. It is also agreed that the COUNTY will not, except for services so designated herein, or as may be approved by the COUNTY, if applicable, permit or authorize the PROFESSIONAL to perform less than the total contract work with other than its own organization.

**SECTION 7.** All final plans, documents, reports, studies and other data prepared by the PROFESSIONAL will bear the endorsement of a person in the full employ of the PROFESSIONAL and duly registered in the appropriate professional category.

**SECTION 8.** All reports prepared or obtained under this Agreement shall be considered works made for hire and shall become the property of the COUNTY restricted to the terms of (7) above; and reproducible copies shall be made available, upon request, at direct printing costs, to the COUNTY at any time during the period of this Agreement. The COUNTY will have the right to visit the site for inspection of the work and the drawings of the PROFESSIONAL at any time. Unless changed by written agreement of the parties, said site shall be the address of the firm. Records of cost incurred under the terms of this Agreement shall be maintained and made available upon request of the COUNTY at all times during the period of this Agreement and for five (5) years after final payment is made. Copies of these documents and records shall be furnished to the COUNTY upon request at direct printing cost.

Records of cost incurred includes the PROFESSIONAL project accounting records, together with supporting documents and records of the PROFESSIONAL and all Specialists, Sub-Professionals and/or other Professionals performing work on the project, and all other records of the PROFESSIONAL and Specialists, Sub-Professionals and/or other Professionals considered necessary by the COUNTY for a proper audit of project costs.

Whenever travel costs are included, the provisions of Section 112.061 (Current Edition), Florida Statutes, shall govern as to reimbursable costs.

The PROFESSIONAL shall furnish to the COUNTY at direct printing cost all final work documents, papers and letters, or any other such materials which may be subject to the provisions of Chapter 119 (Current Edition), Florida Statutes, made or received by the PROFESSIONAL in conjunction with this project.

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Failure by the PROFESSIONAL to provide such records shall be grounds for immediate unilateral cancellation of the Agreement by the COUNTY.

**SECTION 9.** The PROFESSIONAL shall comply with all federal, state and local laws and ordinances applicable to the work or payment thereof, and shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex or national origin in the performance of work under this Agreement.

**SECTION 10.** The COUNTY agrees to pay the PROFESSIONAL compensation as detailed in Exhibit "B", attached hereto and made a part hereof. Unless otherwise agreed to, this is a lump sum contract. No additional fees or expenses will be paid.

**SECTION 11.** The PROFESSIONAL is employed to render a professional service only and that payments made to the PROFESSIONAL are compensation solely for such services rendered and recommendations made in carrying out the work. The PROFESSIONAL shall perform and complete all work in a workmanlike manner to the best of its abilities and in accordance with professional consulting practices and principles.

**SECTION 12.** The COUNTY may terminate this Agreement in whole or in part at any time the interest of the COUNTY requires such termination.

a) If the COUNTY reasonably determines that the performance of the PROFESSIONAL is not satisfactory, the COUNTY shall have the option of:

1) immediately terminating the Agreement and paying the PROFESSIONAL for work reasonably satisfactorily performed hereunder through the date of termination;

2) notify the PROFESSIONAL of the deficiency, with a requirement that the deficiency be corrected within a reasonable specified time, otherwise the Agreement will be so terminated at the end of such time, and the PROFESSIONAL shall be paid for work satisfactorily completed to such specified date.

b) If the COUNTY requires termination of the Agreement for reasons other than unsatisfactory performance of the PROFESSIONAL, the COUNTY shall notify the PROFESSIONAL of such termination and specify the state of work at which time the Agreement is to be terminated, and the PROFESSIONAL shall be entitled to receive payment of all work reasonably satisfactorily performed hereunder through the date of termination. An allowance for satisfactory work in progress but not yet completed shall be made.

c) If the Agreement is terminated before performance is completed, the PROFESSIONAL shall be paid for work satisfactorily performed. Payment is to be on the basis of substantiated costs, not to exceed the percentage of work performed. The PROFESSIONAL shall provide to the COUNTY copies of all calculations, reports, studies completed to date.

**SECTION 13.** Adjustment of compensation and contract time because of any major changes in the work that may become necessary or desirable as the work progresses shall be left to the absolute discretion of the COUNTY and supplemental agreement(s) of such a nature as required may be entered into by the parties in accordance herewith.

**SECTION 14.** All words used herein in the singular form shall extend to and include the plural. All words used in the plural form shall extend to and include the singular. All words used in any gender shall extend to and include all genders.



**SECTION 15.** The PROFESSIONAL shall procure and maintain professional liability insurance for protection from claims arising out of performance of professional services caused by a negligent error, omission or act for which the insured is legally liable; such professional liability insurance will provide coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000 min. per claim and in the aggregate. Proof of insurance shall be provided to the COUNTY upon execution of this Agreement.

Additionally, the PROFESSIONAL shall procure and maintain Commercial General Liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000; and Statutory amounts for Worker's Compensation coverage whenever PROFESSIONAL enters County property.

The PROFESSIONAL will also cause Professional Specialists and/or Sub-Professionals retained by PROFESSIONAL for the project to procure and maintain comparable insurance coverage. Before commencing the work, the PROFESSIONAL shall furnish the COUNTY a certificate(s) showing compliance with this paragraph. Said certificate(s) shall provide that policy(s) shall not be changed or canceled until 30 days prior written notice has been given to the COUNTY; per policy provisions and per the standard ISO ACORD insurance form; Hernando County is named as additional insured as to general liability, including a waiver of subrogation and Certificate Holder must read: Hernando County Board of County Commissioners.

**SECTION 16.** The PROFESSIONAL warrants that he has not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the PROFESSIONAL, to solicit or secure this Agreement, and that he has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, individual or firm any fee, commission, percentage, gift or any other consideration, contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Agreement. It is understood and agreed that the term "fee" shall also include brokerage fee, however denoted.

a) For the breach of violation of Paragraph (16) the COUNTY shall have the right to terminate this Agreement without liability and, at its discretion, to deduct from the contract price, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such fee, commission, percentage, gift or consideration.

**SECTION 17.** Unless otherwise required by law or judicial order, the PROFESSIONAL agrees that it shall make no statements, press releases or publicity releases concerning the Agreement or its subject matter or otherwise disclose or permit to be disclosed any of the data or other information obtained or furnished in compliance with this Agreement, or any particulars thereof, during the period of the Agreement, without first notifying the COUNTY and securing its consent in writing. The PROFESSIONAL also agrees that it shall not publish, copyright or patent any of the site-specific data furnished in compliance with this Agreement; it being understood that, under Paragraph (8) hereof, such data or information is the property of the COUNTY. This does not include materials previously or concurrently developed by the PROFESSIONAL for "In House" use. Only data generated by PROFESSIONAL for work under this Agreement shall be the property of the COUNTY.

**SECTION 18.** Standards of Conduct - Conflict of Interest - The PROFESSIONAL covenants and agrees that it and its employees shall be bound by the standards of conduct provided in Florida Statutes 112.313 (Current Edition) as it relates to work performed under this contract, which standards is hereby incorporated and made a part of this contract as though set forth in full. The PROFESSIONAL agrees to incorporate the provisions of this paragraph in any subcontract into which it might enter with reference to the work performed.



**SECTION 19.** The COUNTY reserves the right to suspend, cancel or terminate the Agreement in the event one or more of the PROFESSIONAL'S Corporate Officers is indicted or has a direct information issued against him for any crime arising out of or in conjunction with any work being performed by the PROFESSIONAL for or on behalf of the COUNTY under this Agreement without penalty. It is understood and agreed that in the event of such termination, that reproducible copies of all documents prepared or obtained under this Agreement shall immediately be turned over to the COUNTY in conformity with the provisions of Paragraph (8) hereof. The PROFESSIONAL shall be compensated for its services rendered up to the time of any such termination in accordance with Paragraph (12) hereof. The COUNTY also reserves the right to terminate or cancel this Agreement in the event the PROFESSIONAL shall be placed in either voluntary or involuntary bankruptcy or an assignment be made for the benefit of creditors. The COUNTY further reserves the right to suspend the qualifications of the PROFESSIONAL to do business with the COUNTY upon any such indictment or direct information. In the event that any such person against whom any such indictment or direct information is brought shall have indictment or direct information dismissed or be found not guilty, such suspension on account hereof shall be immediately lifted by the County Administrator.

**SECTION 20.** PROFESSIONAL shall indemnify and hold harmless the COUNTY and its authorized agents and employees from liabilities, damages, losses, and costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentionally wrongful conduct of PROFESSIONAL and other persons employed or utilized by PROFESSIONAL in the performance of the contract.

**SECTION 21.** All notices required to be served on the PROFESSIONAL shall be served by Registered or Certified mail, Return Receipt Requested, to PROFESSIONAL'S address and all notices required to be served upon the COUNTY shall be served by Registered or Certified mail, Return Receipt Requested, addressed to the County Administrator, Hernando County Board of County Commissioners, 15470 Flight Path Drive, Brooksville, FL 34604.

**SECTION 22.** Hernando County reserves the privilege of auditing a vendor's records by a representative of the County, as such records relate to equipment, goods or services and expenditures therefor, with respect to any express or implied agreement between Hernando County and said vendor. Such records include, but are not limited to: all books, records, and memoranda of every description, pertaining to work under contract.

Hernando County further reserves the right to reproduce any of the aforementioned documents pertaining to the work under contract.

**SECTION 23.** Unless otherwise required by law, this Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. Venue for any dispute arising from this agreement shall be litigated in the appropriate court in Hernando County, Florida, or the US District Court, Middle District of Florida. IN ANY LITIGATION ARISING FROM THIS AGREEMENT, THE PARTIES SHALL BEAR THEIR OWN COSTS AND ATTORNEYS' FEES.

**SECTION 24.** E-VERIFY- Contractor must have legally Authorized Workforce.

CONTRACTOR/CONSULTANT is advised that the COUNTY has entered into an agreement with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) wherein the COUNTY will, in part, seek to promote the principles of ethical business conduct, prevent the knowing hiring of unauthorized workers through self-





governance, and encourage voluntary reporting of the discovery of unauthorized workers to ICE (the IMAGE Agreement). Accordingly, by submitting your Bid/Proposal, CONTRACTOR/CONSULTANT represents and warrants (a) that the CONTRACTOR/CONSULTANT is in compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, including, but not limited to, the laws related to the requirement of an employer to verify an employee's eligibility to work in the United States, (b) that all of the CONTRACTOR/CONSULTANT employees are legally eligible to work in the United States, and (c) that the CONTRACTOR/CONSULTANT has actively and affirmatively verified such eligibility utilizing the Federal Government's Employment Verification Eligibility Form (I-9 Form).

A mere allegation of CONTRACTOR/CONSULTANT's intent to use and/or current use of unauthorized workers may not be a basis to delay the COUNTY'S award of a contract to the CONTRACTOR/CONSULTANT unless such an allegation has been determined to be factual by ICE pursuant to an investigation conducted by ICE prior to the date the contract is scheduled to be awarded by the COUNTY.

Legitimate claims of the CONTRACTOR/CONSULTANT's use of unauthorized workers must be reported to both of the following agencies:

The COUNTY'S Purchasing Contracts Department at (352) 754-4020: and

ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement) at 1-866-DHS-2-ICE

In the event it is discovered that the CONTRACTOR/CONSULTANT's employees are not legally eligible to work in the United States, then the COUNTY may, in its sole discretion, demand that the CONTRACTOR/CONSULTANT cure this deficiency within a specified time frame, and/or immediately terminate the contract without any cost or penalty to the COUNTY, and/or debar the CONTRACTOR/CONSULTANT from bidding on all COUNTY contracts for a period up to twenty-four (24) months, and/or take any and all legal action deemed necessary and appropriate.

CONTRACTOR/CONSULTANT is required to incorporate the following IMAGE Best Practices into its business and, when practicable, incorporate verification requirements into its agreements with subcontractors:

Use the Department of Homeland Security employment eligibility verification program (E-Verify) to verify the employment eligibility of all new hires.

Use the Social Security Number Verification Service and make good faith effort to correct and verify the names and Social SECURITY numbers of the current workforce.

Establish a written hiring and employment eligibility verification policy.

Establish an internal compliance and training program related to the hiring and employment verification process, to include, but not limited to, completion of Form I-9, how to detect fraudulent use of documents in the verification process, and how to use E-Verify and the Social Security Number Verification Service.

Require the Form I-9 and E-Verify process to be conducted only by individuals who received appropriate training and include secondary review as to each employee's verification to minimize the potential for a single individual to subvert the process.

Arrange for annual Form I-9 audits by an external auditing firm or a trained employee not otherwise involved in the Form I-9 process.

Establish a procedure to report to ICE credible information of suspected criminal misconduct in the employment eligibility verification process.

Establish a program to assess subcontractors' compliance with employment eligibility verification requirements. Encourage contractors to incorporate the IMAGE Best Practices contained in this Article and, when practicable, incorporate the verification requirements in subcontractor agreements.

Establish a protocol for responding to letters received from Federal and State government agencies indicating that there is a discrepancy between the agency's information and the information provided by the employer or employee; for example, "no match" letters received from the Social Security Administration.

Establish a tip line mechanism (inbox, e-mail, etc.) for employees to report activity relating to the employment of unauthorized workers, and a protocol for responding to employee tips.

Establish and maintain appropriate policies, practices, and safeguards against use of the verification process for unlawful discrimination, and to ensure that U.S. Citizens and authorized workers do not face discrimination with respect to hiring, firing, recruitment or referral for a fee because of citizenship status or national origin.

Maintain copies of any documents accepted as proof of identify and/or employment authorization for all new hires.

#### **SECTION 25. INTERPRETATION**

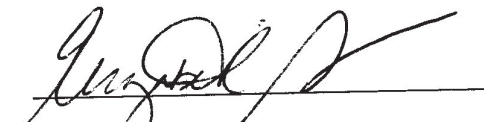
This Agreement shall not be construed for or against any party hereto, without regard to which party is wholly or partly responsible for its drafting.


#### **SECTION 26. Attachments:**

Exhibit A "Scope of Services"

Exhibit B "Compensation and Expenses"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused these present to be executed, the day and year first above written.

  
Elizabeth Shrode, DVM  
Hickory Hill Veterinary Services LLC

  
Carla Rossiter-Smith, Chief Procurement Officer  
Hernando County Board of County  
Commissioners

12.14.23 Date

12/15/23 Date

### Exhibit A – Scope of Services

In the absence of a full-time staff veterinarian, Hernando County Animal Services wants to ensure the health of our animals is overseen by a professional veterinarian on a weekly basis. HCAS desire to continue the issuance of prophylactic medications, vaccinations, and pain management within best practices. In efforts to ensure animal health and disease control practices remain under the guidance of a veterinarian, Hernando County Animal Services requires the following services to be provided by Dr. Elizabeth Shrode, DVM, with Hickory Hill Veterinary Services LLC.

- Dr. Shrode will monitor the health of animals housed at Hernando County Animal Services through weekly onsite visits.
- Dr. Shrode will issue standing orders for prophylactic, pain, and other medications to be administered by staff as required and in accordance with best practices and under her DEA License.
- Dr. Shrode will perform veterinary services on HCAS animals at her discretion. Services may be referred by Dr. Shrode to other practitioners.
- Dr. Shrode will take phone calls from the HCAS Manager or designee and provide guidance on animal health issues as required.
- Dr. Shrode will maintain a valid license to practice Veterinary Medicine in the State of Florida.
- Dr. Shrode will maintain all required licenses for the Hernando County Animal Services facility to continue providing, at a minimum, the same level of care as of the date of the agreement. These licenses include DEA, DBPR and FDOH.
- The intention of the agreement is for Dr. Shrode to provide services until HCAS has a full-time veterinarian on staff. The agreement may be terminated by either party at any time by providing notice, 2-weeks' notice is preferred.



### **Exhibit B – Compensation and Expenses**

Compensation is at a rate of \$150.00 per hour of in clinic time and at a rate of \$100.00 per hour for telephone consultation time for the services as listed in the description above.

Time will be rounded up to the nearest 1/4-hour increment.

Invoices will be provided by the Professional on a weekly basis for services provided at the rates noted above.

Compensation will be provided receipt of an invoice for the number of service hours provided.

Compensation for services provided under this agreement, from execution through December 8, 2024, will not exceed \$34,999 unless amended by the Hernando County Board of County Commissioners.

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