# PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT AND JAYRAY ADS & PR INC.

FOR FISCAL YEARS 2024-25 and 2025-26

This Agreement, entered into this _	day of	, 20, by and between the	County of Humboldt,
a political subdivision of the State of Califo	ornia, hereinaft	er referred to as "COUNTY," and J	AYRAY ADS & PR INC.,
a marketing company of Washington Stat	te, hereinafter	eferred to as "CONTRACTOR," is	made upon the
following considerations:			

WHEREAS, COUNTY, by and through its County Administrative Office – Economic Development Division, desires to retain a qualified professional to provide consulting services that are designed to assist the COUNTY with the development of a comprehensive Travel and Tourism Marketing Strategy & Tourism Assets Study and

WHEREAS, such work involves the performance of professional, expert and technical services of a temporary and occasional character; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY has no employees available to perform such services and is unable to hire employees for the performance thereof for the temporary period; and

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR represents that it is adequately trained, skilled, experienced and qualified to perform the professional consulting services required by COUNTY.

NOW THEREFORE, the parties hereto mutually agree as follows:

#### 1. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:

CONTRACTOR agrees to provide the services described in Exhibit A – Scope of Services, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if set forth in full. In providing such services, CONTRACTOR agrees to fully cooperate with the County Administrative Office, Economic Development Division as designee thereof.

#### 2. TERM:

This Agreement shall begin on upon execution by both parties and shall remain in full force and effect until Dec. 31, 2025, unless sooner terminated or extended as provided herein.

#### 3. <u>TERMINATION</u>:

- A. <u>Termination for Cause</u>. COUNTY may, in its sole discretion, immediately terminate this Agreement, if CONTRACTOR fails to adequately perform the services required hereunder within the applicable timeframes set forth herein, fails to comply with the terms or conditions set forth herein, or violates any local, state or federal laws, regulations, policies, procedures, standards or guidelines applicable to its performance hereunder.
- B. <u>Termination without Cause</u>. COUNTY may terminate this Agreement without cause upon thirty (30) days advance written notice which states the effective date of the termination.

- C. <u>Termination due to Insufficient Funding</u>. COUNTY's obligations under this Agreement are contingent upon the availability of local, state and/or federal funds. In the event such funding is reduced or eliminated, COUNTY shall, at its sole discretion, determine whether this Agreement shall be terminated. COUNTY shall provide CONTRACTOR seven (7) days advance written notice of its intent to terminate this Agreement due to insufficient funding.
- D. <u>Compensation upon Termination</u>. In the event this Agreement is terminated, CONTRACTOR shall be entitled to compensation for uncompensated services rendered hereunder through and including the effective date of such termination. However, this provision shall not limit or reduce any damages owed to COUNTY due to a breach of this Agreement by CONTRACTOR.

#### 4. <u>COMPENSATION</u>:

- A. <u>Maximum Amount Payable</u>. The maximum amount payable by COUNTY for services rendered, and costs and expenses incurred, pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement is forty-nine thousand nine hundred sixty Dollars (\$49,960.00). CONTRACTOR agrees to perform all services required by this Agreement for an amount not to exceed such maximum dollar amount. However, if local, state or federal funding or allowance rates are reduced or eliminated, COUNTY may, by amendment, reduce the maximum amount payable hereunder or terminate this Agreement as provided herein.
- B. <u>Schedule of Rates</u>. The specific rates and costs applicable to this Agreement are set forth in Exhibit B Schedule of Rates, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if set forth in full.
- C. <u>Additional Services</u>. Any additional services not otherwise set forth herein shall not be provided by CONTRACTOR, or compensated by COUNTY, without COUNTY's prior written authorization. Any and all unauthorized costs and expenses incurred above the maximum payable amount set forth herein shall be the responsibility of CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall notify COUNTY, in writing, at least six (6) weeks prior to the date upon which the maximum payable amount will be reached.

#### 5. PAYMENT:

CONTRACTOR shall submit to COUNTY monthly invoices itemizing any and all services rendered, and costs and expenses incurred, pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement by the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) day of each month. CONTRACTOR shall submit a final invoice for payment within thirty (30) days after the expiration or termination date of this Agreement. Invoices shall be in a format approved and include any and all appropriate backup documentation as specified, by Director and the Humboldt County Auditor-Controller. Payment for services rendered, and costs and expenses incurred, pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be made within thirty (30) days after the receipt of approved invoices. Any and all invoices submitted pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be sent to COUNTY at the following address:

COUNTY: County Administration Office, Economic Development Division

Attention: Dianna Rios, Economic Development Coordinator

825 Fifth Street #112 Eureka, California 95501

#### 6. NOTICES:

Any and all notices required to be given pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be in writing and either served personally or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the respective addresses set forth below. Notice shall be effective upon actual receipt or refusal as shown on the receipt obtained pursuant to the foregoing.

COUNTY: County Administration Office, Economic Development Division

Attention: Dianna Rios, Economic Development Coordinator

825 Fifth Street #112 Eureka, California 95501

CONTRACTOR: JayRay Ads & PR Inc.

Attention: Joyce Glavish, Senior Advisor

1102 A Street

Tacoma, WA 98402

#### 7. **REPORTS**:

CONTRACTOR agrees to provide COUNTY with any and all reports that may be required by any local, state and/or federal agencies for compliance with this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall submit one (1) hard copy and one (1) electronic copy of any and all reports required hereunder in a format that complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act and any other applicable local, state and federal accessibility laws, regulations and standards. Any and all reports required hereunder shall be submitted in accordance with any and all applicable timeframes using the format required by the State of California as appropriate.

#### 8. RECORD RETENTION AND INSPECTION:

- A. <u>Maintenance and Preservation of Records</u>. CONTRACTOR agrees to timely prepare accurate and complete financial, performance and payroll records, documents and other evidence relating to the services provided pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, and to maintain and preserve said records for at least three (3) years from the date of final payment hereunder, except that if any litigation, claim, negotiation, audit or other action is pending, the records shall be retained until completion and resolution of all issues arising therefrom. Such records shall be original entry books with a general ledger itemizing all debits and credits for the services provided pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- B. Inspection of Records. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 8546.7, all records, documents, conditions and activities of CONTRACTOR, and its subcontractors, related to the services provided pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, shall be subject to the examination and audit of the California State Auditor and any other duly authorized agents of the State of California for a period of three (3) years after the date of final payment hereunder. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to make all such records available during normal business hours to inspection, audit and reproduction by COUNTY and any other duly authorized local, state and/or federal agencies. CONTRACTOR further agrees to allow interviews of any of its employees who might reasonably have information related to such records by COUNTY and any other duly authorized local, state and/or federal agencies. All examinations and audits conducted hereunder shall be strictly confined to those matters connected with the performance of this Agreement, including, without limitation, the costs associated with administration of this Agreement.
- C. <u>Audit Costs</u>. In the event of an audit exception or exceptions related to the services provided pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the party responsible for not meeting the

requirements set forth herein shall be responsible for the deficiency and for the cost of the audit. If the allowable expenditures cannot be determined because CONTRACTOR's documentation is nonexistent or inadequate, according to generally accepted accounting practices, the questionable cost shall be disallowed by COUNTY.

#### 9. MONITORING:

CONTRACTOR agrees that COUNTY has the right to monitor all activities related to this Agreement, including, without limitation, the right to review and monitor CONTRACTOR's records, policies, procedures and overall business operations, at any time, in order to ensure compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR will cooperate with a corrective action plan, if deficiencies in CONTRACTOR's records, policies, procedures or business operations are identified by COUNTY. However, COUNTY is not responsible, and will not be held accountable, for overseeing or evaluating the adequacy of CONTRACTOR's performance hereunder.

#### 10. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION:

- Disclosure of Confidential Information. In the performance of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR may A. receive information that is confidential under local, state or federal law. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to protect all confidential information in conformance with any and all applicable local, state and federal laws, regulations, policies, procedures and standards, including, without limitation: Division 19 of the California Department of Social Services Manual of Policies and Procedures – Confidentiality of Information; California Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 827, 5328, 10850 and 14100.2; California Health and Safety Code Sections 1280.15 and 1280.18; the California Information Practices Act of 1977; the California Confidentiality of Medical Information Act ("CMIA"); the United States Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act ("HITECH Act"); the United States Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA") and any current and future implementing regulations promulgated thereunder, including, without limitation, the Federal Privacy Regulations contained in Title 45 of the Code of Federal Regulations ("C.F.R.") Parts 160 and 164, the Federal Security Standards contained in 45 C.F.R. Parts 160, 162 and 164 and the Federal Standards for Electronic Transactions contained in 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 162, all as may be amended from time to time.
- B. <u>Continuing Compliance with Confidentiality Requirements</u>. Each party hereby acknowledges that local, state and federal laws, regulations and standards pertaining to confidentiality, electronic data security and privacy are rapidly evolving and that amendment of this Agreement may be required to ensure compliance with such developments. Each party agrees to promptly enter into negotiations concerning an amendment to this Agreement embodying written assurances consistent with the requirements of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the CMIA and any other applicable local, state and federal laws, regulations or standards.

#### 11. NON-DISCRIMINATION COMPLIANCE:

A. <u>Professional Services and Employment</u>. In connection with the execution of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR, and its subcontractors, shall not unlawfully discriminate in the provision of professional services or against any employee or applicant for employment because of: race; religion or religious creed; color; age, over forty (40) years of age; sex, including, without limitation, gender identity and expression, pregnancy, childbirth and related medical conditions; sexual orientation, including, without limitation, heterosexuality, homosexuality and bisexuality; national

origin; ancestry; marital status; medical condition, including, without limitation, cancer and genetic characteristics; mental or physical disability, including, without limitation, HIV status and AIDS; political affiliation; military service; denial of family care leave; or any other classifications protected by any and all applicable local, state or federal laws, regulations or standards, all as may be amended from time to time. Nothing herein shall be construed to require the employment of unqualified persons.

B. Compliance with Anti-Discrimination Laws. CONTRACTOR further assures that it, and its subcontractors, will abide by the applicable provisions of: Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975; the Food Stamp Act of 1977; Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; the California Fair Employment and Housing Act; California Civil Code Sections 51, et seq.; California Government Code Sections 4450, et seq.; California Welfare and Institutions Code Section 10000; Division 21 of the California Department of Social Services Manual of Policies and Procedures; United States Executive Order 11246, as amended and supplemented by United States Executive Order 11375 and 41 C.F.R. Part 60; and any other applicable local, state and federal laws, regulations and standards, all as may be amended from time to time. The applicable regulations of the California Fair Employment and Housing Commission implementing California Government Code Section 12990, set forth in Sections 8101, et seq. of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations are incorporated into this Agreement by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full.

#### 12. NUCLEAR-FREE HUMBOLDT COUNTY ORDINANCE COMPLIANCE:

By executing this Agreement, CONTRACTOR certifies that it is not a Nuclear Weapons Contractor, in that CONTRACTOR is not knowingly or intentionally engaged in the research, development, production or testing of nuclear warheads, nuclear weapons systems or nuclear weapons components as defined by the Nuclear-Free Humboldt County Ordinance. CONTRACTOR agrees to notify COUNTY immediately if it becomes a Nuclear Weapons Contractor as defined above. COUNTY may immediately terminate this Agreement if it determines that the foregoing certification is false or if CONTRACTOR subsequently becomes a Nuclear Weapons Contractor.

#### 13. <u>DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE CERTIFICATION</u>:

By executing this Agreement, CONTRACTOR certifies that it will provide a drug-free workplace in accordance with the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990 (California Government Code Sections 8350, *et seq.*), by doing all of the following:

- A. <u>Drug-Free Policy Statement</u>. Publish, as required by California Government Code Section 8355(a)(1), a Drug-Free Policy Statement which notifies employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited, and specifies the actions to be taken against employees for violations.
- B. <u>Drug-Free Awareness Program</u>. Establish, as required by California Government Code Section 8355(a)(2), a Drug-Free Awareness Program which informs employees about:
  - 1. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
  - 2. CONTRACTOR's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;

- 3. Any available counseling, rehabilitation and employee assistance programs; and
- 4. Penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.
- C. <u>Drug-Free Employment Agreement</u>. Ensure, as required by California Government Code Section 8355(a)(3), that every employee who provides services pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement will:
  - 1. Receive a copy of the CONTRACTOR's Drug-Free Policy Statement; and
  - 2. Agree to abide by CONTRACTOR's Drug-Free Policy as a condition of employment.
- D. <u>Effect of Non-Compliance</u>. Failure to comply with the requirements set forth herein may result in termination of this Agreement and/or ineligibility for award of future contracts.

#### 14. INDEMNIFICATION:

- A. <u>Hold Harmless, Defense and Indemnification</u>. CONTRACTOR shall hold harmless, defend and indemnify COUNTY and its agents, officers, officials, employees and volunteers from and against any and all claims, demands, losses, damages and liabilities of any kind or nature, including, without limitation, attorney's fees and other costs of litigation, arising out of, or in connection with, CONTRACTOR's negligent performance of, or failure to comply with, any of the duties and/or obligations contained herein, except such loss or damage which was caused by the sole negligence or willful misconduct of COUNTY.
- B. <u>Effect of Insurance</u>. Acceptance of the insurance required by this Agreement shall not relieve CONTRACTOR from liability under this provision. This provision shall apply to all claims for damages related to CONTRACTOR's performance hereunder, regardless of whether any insurance is applicable or not. The insurance policy limits set forth herein shall not act as a limitation upon the amount of indemnification or defense to be provided hereunder.

#### 15. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:

This Agreement shall not be executed by COUNTY, and CONTRACTOR is not entitled to any rights hereunder, unless certificates of insurance, or other proof that the following provisions have been complied with, are filed with the Clerk of the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors.

- A. <u>General Insurance Requirements</u>. Without limiting CONTRACTOR's indemnification obligations set forth herein, CONTRACTOR, and its subcontractors hereunder, shall take out and maintain, throughout the entire term of this Agreement, and any extensions thereof, the following policies of insurance, placed with insurers authorized to do business in the State of California with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A: VII or its equivalent against personal injury, death and property damage which may arise from, or in connection with, the activities of CONTRACTOR or its agents, officers, directors, employees, licensees, invitees, assignees or subcontractors:
  - 1. Comprehensive or Commercial General Liability Insurance at least as broad as Insurance Services Office Commercial General Liability Coverage (occurrence form CG 0001), in an amount of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) per occurrence for any one (1) incident, including, without limitation, personal injury, death and property damage. If a general aggregate limit is used, such limit shall apply separately hereto or shall be twice the required occurrence limit.

- 2. Automobile/Motor Liability Insurance with a limit of liability not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) combined single limit coverage. Such coverage shall include all owned and non-owned vehicles and be at least as broad as Insurance Service Offices Form Code 1 (any auto).
- 3. Workers' Compensation Insurance, as required by the California Labor Code, with statutory limits, and Employers Liability Insurance with a limit of no less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per accident for bodily injury or disease. Said policy shall contain, or be endorsed to contain, a waiver of subrogation against COUNTY and its agents, officers, officials, employees and volunteers.
- 4. Professional Liability Insurance Error and Omission Coverage including coverage in an amount no less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) for each occurrence (Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000.00) general aggregate). Said insurance shall be maintained for the statutory period during which CONTRACTOR may be exposed to liability. CONTRACTOR shall require that such coverage be incorporated into its professional services agreements with any other entities.
- B. <u>Special Insurance Requirements</u>. Said policies shall, unless otherwise specified herein, be endorsed with the following provisions:
  - 1. The Comprehensive or Commercial General Liability Policy shall provide that COUNTY, and its agents, officers, officials, employees and volunteers, are covered as additional insured for liability arising out of the operations performed by, or on behalf of, CONTRACTOR. The coverage shall contain no special limitations on the scope of protection afforded to COUNTY or its agents, officers, officials, employees and volunteers. Said policy shall also contain a provision stating that such coverage:
    - a. Includes contractual liability.
    - b. Does not contain exclusions as to property damage caused by explosion or collapse of structures or underground damage, commonly referred to as "XCU Hazards."
    - c. Is the primary insurance with regard to COUNTY.
    - d. Does not contain a pro-rata, excess only and/or escape clause.
    - e. Contains a cross liability, severability of interest or separation of insureds clause.
  - 2. The above-referenced policies shall not be canceled, non-renewed or materially reduced in coverage without thirty (30) days prior written notice being provided to COUNTY in accordance with the notice requirements set forth herein. It is further understood that CONTRACTOR shall not terminate such coverage until COUNTY receives adequate proof that equal or better insurance has been secured.
  - 3. The inclusion of more than one (1) insured shall not operate to impair the rights of one (1) insured against another insured, and the coverage afforded shall apply as though separate policies had been issued to each insured, but the inclusion of more than one (1) insured shall not operate to increase the limits of the insurer's liability.

- 4. For claims related to this Agreement, CONTRACTOR's insurance is the primary coverage to COUNTY, and any insurance or self-insurance programs maintained thereby are excess to CONTRACTOR's insurance and will not be used to contribute therewith.
- 5. Any failure to comply with the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall not affect the coverage provided to COUNTY or its agents, officers, officials, employees and volunteers.
- 6. CONTRACTOR shall furnish COUNTY with certificates and original endorsements effecting the required coverage prior to execution of this Agreement. The endorsements shall be on forms approved by the Humboldt County Risk Manager. Any deductible or self-insured retention over One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) shall be disclosed to, and approved by, COUNTY. If CONTRACTOR does not keep all required policies in full force and effect, COUNTY may, in addition to any other available remedies, take out the necessary insurance and deduct the cost of said insurance from the monies owed to CONTRACTOR under this Agreement.
- 7. COUNTY is to be notified immediately if twenty-five percent (25%) or more of any required insurance aggregate limit is encumbered, and CONTRACTOR shall be required to purchase additional coverage to meet the above-referenced aggregate limits.
- C. <u>Insurance Notices</u>. Any and all insurance notices required hereunder shall be sent to the addresses set forth below in accordance with the notice requirements contained herein.

COUNTY: County of Humboldt

Attention: Risk Management 825 Fifth Street, Room 131 Eureka, California 95501

CONTRACTOR: JayRay Ads & PR Inc.

Attention: Joyce Glavish, Senior Advisor

1102 A Street

Tacoma, WA 98402

#### 16. RELATIONSHIP OF PARTIES:

It is understood that this Agreement is by and between two (2) independent entities and is not intended to, and shall not be construed to, create the relationship of agents, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture or any other similar association. Both parties further agree that CONTRACTOR shall not be entitled to any benefits to which COUNTY employees are entitled, including, without limitation, overtime, retirement, leave or workers' compensation benefits. CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible for the acts and omissions of its agents, officers, employees, assignees and subcontractors.

#### 17. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS, REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS:

- A. <u>General Legal Requirements</u>. CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with any and all local, state and federal laws, regulations, policies, procedures and standards applicable to the services provided pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- B. <u>Licensure Requirements</u>. CONTRACTOR further agrees to comply with any and all applicable local, state and federal licensure, certification and accreditation standards applicable to the services provided pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

- C. <u>Accessibility Requirements</u>. CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with any and all applicable accessibility requirements set forth in the Americans with Disabilities Act, Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, California Government Code Section 1135 and any current and future implementing regulations, policies, procedures and standards promulgated thereunder, including, without limitation, the federal accessibility standards set forth in 36 C.F.R. Section 1194.1, all as may be amended from time to time.
- D. <u>Conflict of Interest Requirements</u>. CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with any and all applicable conflict of interest requirements set forth in the California Political Reform Act and any current and future implementing regulations, policies, procedures and standards promulgated thereunder, all as may be amended from time to time.

#### 18. PROVISIONS REQUIRED BY LAW:

This Agreement is subject to any additional local, state and federal restrictions, limitations or conditions that may affect the terms, conditions or funding of this Agreement. This Agreement shall be read and enforced as though all legally required provisions are included herein, and if for any reason any such provision is not included, or is not correctly stated, the parties agree to amend the pertinent section to make such insertion or correction.

#### 19. REFERENCE TO LAWS, REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS:

In the event any law, regulation or standard referred to herein is amended during the term of this Agreement, the parties agree to comply with the amended provision as of the effective date thereof.

#### 20. PROTOCOLS:

Both parties agree that the inclusion of additional protocols may be required to make this Agreement specific. All such protocols shall be negotiated, determined and agreed upon by both parties hereto.

#### 21. **SEVERABILITY**:

If any provision of this Agreement, or any portion thereof, is found by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable or invalid for any reason, such provision shall be severable and shall not in any way impair the enforceability of any other provision of this Agreement.

#### 22. ASSIGNMENT:

Neither party shall delegate its duties or assign its rights hereunder, either in whole or in part, without the other party's prior written consent. Any assignment by CONTRACTOR in violation of this provision shall be void and shall be cause for immediate termination of this Agreement. This provision shall not be applicable to service agreements or other arrangements usually or customarily entered into by either party to obtain supplies, technical support or professional services.

#### 23. AGREEMENT SHALL BIND SUCCESSORS:

All provisions of this Agreement shall be fully binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the parties and to each of their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and permitted assigns.

#### 24. WAIVER OF DEFAULT:

The waiver by either party of any breach of this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any such breach in the future, or of the breach of any other requirement of this Agreement. In no event shall any payment by COUNTY constitute a waiver of any breach of this Agreement which may then exist on the part of CONTRACTOR. Nor shall such payment impair or prejudice any remedy available to COUNTY with respect to the breach or default. COUNTY shall have the right to demand repayment of, and CONTRACTOR shall promptly refund, any funds which COUNTY determines were not expended in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

#### 25. NON-LIABILITY OF COUNTY OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES:

No official or employee of COUNTY shall be personally liable for any default or liability under this Agreement.

#### 26. AMENDMENT:

This Agreement may be amended at any time upon the mutual consent of both parties. No alteration of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by the parties hereto.

#### 27. STANDARD OF PRACTICE:

CONTRACTOR warrants that it has the degree of learning and skill ordinarily possessed by reputable professionals practicing in similar localities in the same profession and under similar circumstances. CONTRACTOR's duty is to exercise such care, skill and diligence as professionals engaged in the same profession ordinarily exercise under like circumstances.

#### 28. TITLE TO INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTS:

It is understood that any and all documents, information and reports concerning the subject matter of this Agreement prepared and/or submitted by CONTRACTOR shall become the property of COUNTY. However, CONTRACTOR may retain copies of such documents, information and reports for its records. In the event this Agreement is terminated, for any reason whatsoever, CONTRACTOR shall promptly turn over all such documents, information and reports to COUNTY without exception or reservation.

#### 29. JURISDICTION AND VENUE:

This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California. Any dispute arising hereunder, or relating hereto, shall be litigated in the State of California and venue shall lie in the County of Humboldt unless transferred by court order pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Sections 394 or 395.

#### 30. ADVERTISING AND MEDIA RELEASE:

Any and all informational material related to this Agreement shall receive approval from COUNTY prior to being used as advertising or released to the media, including, without limitation, television, radio, newspapers and internet. CONTRACTOR shall inform COUNTY of all requests for interviews by the media related to this Agreement before such interviews take place; and COUNTY shall be entitled to have a representative present at such interviews. All notices required by this provision shall be given to Director

in accordance with the notice requirements set forth herein.

#### 31. **SUBCONTRACTS**:

CONTRACTOR shall obtain prior written approval from COUNTY before subcontracting any of the services to be provided pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Any and all subcontracts shall be subject to all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement, including, without limitation, the licensing, certification, privacy, security and confidentiality requirements set forth herein. CONTRACTOR shall remain legally responsible for the performance of all terms and conditions of this Agreement, including, without limitation, any and all services provided by third parties under subcontracts, whether approved by COUNTY or not.

#### 32. ATTORNEYS' FEES:

If either party shall commence any legal action, including, without limitation, an action for declaratory relief, against the other by reason of the alleged failure of the other to perform any of its obligations hereunder, the party prevailing in said action shall be entitled to recover court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees, including, but not limited to, the reasonable value of services rendered by the Humboldt County Counsel's Office, to be fixed by the court, and such recovery shall include court costs and attorneys' fees on appeal, if applicable. As used herein, "prevailing party" means the party who dismisses an action in exchange for payment of substantially all sums allegedly due, performance of provisions allegedly breached, or other considerations substantially equal to the relief sought by said party, as well as the party in whose favor final judgment is rendered.

#### 33. SURVIVAL OF PROVISIONS:

The duties and obligations of the parties set forth in Section 3.D— Compensation Upon Termination, Section 8 — Record Retention and Inspection, Section 10 — Confidential Information and Section 14 — Indemnification shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

#### 34. CONFLICTING TERMS OR CONDITIONS:

In the event of any conflict in the terms or conditions set forth in any other agreements in place between the parties hereto and the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, the terms and conditions set forth herein shall have priority.

#### 35. <u>INTERPRETATION</u>:

This Agreement, as well as its individual provisions, shall be deemed to have been prepared equally by both of the parties hereto, and shall not be construed or interpreted more favorably for one (1) party on the basis that the other party prepared it.

#### 36. <u>INDEPENDENT CONSTRUCTION</u>:

The titles of the sections and subsections set forth herein are inserted for convenience of reference only and shall be disregarded in construing or interpreting any of the provisions of this Agreement.

#### 37. FORCE MAJEURE:

Neither party hereto shall be liable or responsible for delays or failures in performance resulting from events beyond the reasonable control, and without the fault or negligence, of such party. Such events shall include, without limitation, acts of God, strikes, lockouts, riots, acts of war, epidemics, pandemics, acts of government, fire, power failures, nuclear accidents, earthquakes, unusually severe weather, acts of terrorism or other disasters, whether or not similar to the foregoing.

#### 38. ENTIRE AGREEMENT:

This Agreement contains all of the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties hereto and no other agreements, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this Agreement shall be deemed to exist or to bind either of the parties hereto. In addition, this Agreement shall supersede in their entirety any and all prior agreements, promises, representations, understandings and negotiations of the parties, whether oral or written, concerning the same subject matter. Any and all acts which may have already been consummated pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement are hereby ratified.

#### 39. COUNTERPART EXECUTION:

This Agreement, and any amendments hereto, may be executed in one (1) or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original and all of which, when taken together, shall be deemed to be one (1) and the same agreement. This Agreement, and any amendments hereto, may be signed by manual or electronic signatures in accordance with any and all applicable local, state and federal laws, regulations and standards, and such signatures shall constitute original signatures for all purposes. A signed copy of this Agreement, and any amendments hereto, transmitted by email or by other means of electronic transmission shall be deemed to have the same legal effect as delivery of an original executed copy of this Agreement and any amendments hereto.

#### 40. <u>AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE</u>:

Each person executing this Agreement represents and warrants that he or she is duly authorized and has legal authority to execute and deliver this Agreement. Each party represents and warrants to the other that the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the performance of such party's obligations hereunder have been duly authorized.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have entered into this Agreement as of the first date written above.

TWO SIGNATURES ARE REQUIRED FOR CORPORATIONS:

- (1) CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD, PRESIDENT, OR VICE PRESIDENT; AND
- (2) SECRETARY, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER OR TREASURER. [NAME OF

#### **CONTRACTOR**]:

Exhibit B – Schedule of Rates

Ву:	Date:
Name:	
Title:	
Ву:	Date:
Name:	
Title:	<del>_</del>
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT:	
By: Elishia Hayes, County Administrative Officer Humboldt County Administrative Office	Date:
INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION REQUIREMENTS	APPROVED:
By:	Date:
LIST OF EXHIBITS: Exhibit A – Scope of Services	

## EXHIBIT A SCOPE OF SERVICES JayRay Ads & PR Inc. FOR FISCAL YEARS 2024-25 and 2025-26

The COUNTY is engaging the CONTRACTOR to develop a comprehensive and sustainable travel and tourism marketing strategy that enhances the visibility of the Humboldt's unique destinations and supports coordinated tourism efforts. This work will be guided by a thorough analysis of the existing travel, tourism and marketing assets, including an inventory of countywide attractions and an evaluation of current promotional activities. The CONTRACTOR will lead a collaborative planning process that includes engagement with gateway communities, cities, tourism districts, tribes and private-sector partners. The outcome will be a data-informed strategic framework that establishes shared goals, incorporates principles of sustainability and inclusion, and provides clear guidance for future marketing initiatives.

#### **CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILTIES:**

#### **SERVICES:**

The CONTRACTOR will provide the following services:

#### I. Marketing Asset and Inventory Analysis

The CONTRACTOR will conduct a comprehensive analysis of Humboldt County's tourism assets and current marketing landscape to inform strategy development.

- a. Tourism Asset Inventory
  - i. Compile a countywide, categorized inventory of travel and tourism assets.
  - ii. Identify underutilized or emerging tourism opportunities.
- b. Marketing Asset and Outreach Evaluation
  - i. Review existing marketing materials and campaigns used by the County and regional partners.
  - ii. Analyze current outreach efforts, messaging consistency, and brand positioning.
- c. Market Research and Benchmarking
  - i. Analyze tourism trends, visitor demographics, and economic impact data.
  - ii. Benchmark Humboldt County against similar tourism regions to identify competitive strengths and gaps.

#### II. Strategic Marketing Plan

The CONTRACTOR will use the findings from the asset analysis to develop a collaborative, actionable strategic marketing plan aligned with countywide goals.

- a. Stakeholder Collaboration
  - i. Facilitate an initial planning session with gateways, cities, tourism districts, tribes and private partners.
  - ii. Develop and implement an inclusive stakeholder engagement plan.
- b. Strategy Development
  - i. Define short- and long-term tourism goals informed by data and community input.
  - ii. Recommend integrated marketing strategies, including outreach channels, timelines, and budget estimates, to achieve defined goals.
  - iii. Identify models for ongoing collaboration among cities, gateway communities, tourism districts, and private-sector stakeholders to support coordinated implementation.
  - iv. Integrate sustainability, accessibility, and inclusion into all strategic recommendations.
- c. Framework and Implementation Planning

- i. Draft a countywide tourism marketing strategy that supports regional collaboration.
- ii. Identify success metrics, including visitor volume and economic impact, to monitor implementation and impact.
- iii. Propose a governance structure for future coordinated marketing efforts and activities.

#### III. Final Reporting and Presentation

- a. Compile findings, strategies, and recommendations into a comprehensive final report.
- b. Present results to the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors in coordination with County staff.

#### **DELIVERABLES:**

The CONTRACTOR shall submit the following deliverables to the COUNTY, reflecting the above Services:

#### I. Marketing Asset and Inventory Analysis

- a. Tourism Asset Inventory Report
- b. Marketing Asset and Outreach Evaluation
- c. Market Research and Benchmark Report

#### II. Strategic Marketing Plan

- a. Stakeholder Engagement Summary
- b. Collaborative Framework and Governance Model
- c. Sustainability and Inclusion Guidelines
- d. Implementation Metrics and Evaluation Guide
- e. Tourism Marketing Strategy and Action Plan

#### III. Final Report and Presentation

- a. Final Comprehensive Report
- b. Slide Deck and Presentation

#### **REPORTS AND COORDINATION:**

The CONTRACTOR will provide the following reports and coordination throughout the project, supporting the above SERVICES and DELIVERABLES:

#### I. Weekly Progress Reports

a. Weekly written updates summarizing project status, milestones completed and upcoming tasks.

#### II. Biweekly Virtual Meetings

a. Biweekly virtual meetings with COUNTY staff to review project progress, confirm alignment with the scope of work, discuss timelines and deliverables, and address any emerging issues or needed adjustments.

#### **III.** Draft Report Submissions

a. Draft documents for key project deliverables will be submitted for review and comment, providing at minimum fourteen (14) calendar days for COUNTY review and feedback.

#### IV. Final Report Submission and Presentation

a. A complete and final report shall be submitted to the COUNTY, providing adequate time for review and scheduling of a final presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

#### **PROJECT TIMELINE:**

Phase	Estimated Timeframe	Key Outputs
Project kickoff	May 2025	<ul><li>Contract execution.</li><li>Initial planning meetings.</li></ul>
Discovery	June–July 2025	<ul> <li>Develop workplan.</li> <li>Tour Humboldt County, develop inventory of tourism assets.</li> <li>Lead Tourism Team kickoff meeting.</li> <li>Conduct marketing audits and analyze available analytics and data.</li> <li>Conduct surveys.</li> <li>Conduct interviews.</li> <li>Conduct competitive analysis.</li> </ul>
Analysis and Input	August 2025	<ul> <li>Synthesize findings of research and data analysis.</li> <li>Lead Tourism Team workshop.</li> <li>Recap workshop themes and insights and share with team.</li> </ul>
Planning	September 2025	<ul> <li>Develop county tourism marketing strategy.</li> <li>Lead Tourism Team plan review and feedback session.</li> <li>Adjust and finalize tourism marketing strategy.</li> <li>Working with county staff, finalize timeline and budgets for implementation of marketing activities.</li> </ul>
Plan Launch	October 2025–November 2025	<ul> <li>Support county staff to share tourism marketing information.</li> <li>Prepare a plan presentation for use with county leadership, local chambers and other key stakeholders.</li> <li>Create a one-page information sheet the highlights county tourism statistics, plan goals and key plan activities.</li> </ul>
Closeout	December 2025	<ul> <li>Present to Board of Supervisors</li> <li>Contract closeout and final invoicing</li> </ul>

#### **COUNTY RESPONSIBILITIES:**

#### I. Access To Relevant Information

a. The COUNTY will supply the necessary data, contacts, and background information to support the project.

#### II. Coordination of Stakeholder Meetings

a. The COUNTY will assist in scheduling and facilitating meetings with key stakeholders and ensure participation in workshops and review sessions.

#### III. Providing Timely Feedback

a. The COUNTY will review and respond to draft and final deliverables within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing.

## EXHIBIT B SCHEDULE OF RATES

### JayRay Ads & PR Inc. For Fiscal Years 2024-2025 through 2025-2026

The COUNTY shall compensate CONTRACTOR an amount not to exceed \$49,960, inclusive of all labor, materials, equipment, travel, overhead, and related costs necessary to complete the services described in Exhibit A.

Payment shall be made based on satisfactory completion of tasks and deliverables, in accordance with the schedule and terms outlined in this Agreement. All invoices submitted by CONTRACTOR shall reference this Agreement and include sufficient detail to support the amount billed.

#### 1. RATE OF COMPENSATION:

Title: Principle	\$15,540
Salary Calculations: \$210/hr (74 hours)	
Duties Description: Lead strategy and planning	
Title: Senior Advisor	\$12,400
Salary Calculation: \$200/hr (62 hours)	
Duties Description: Daily point person, planning,	
project management	
Title: Advisor & Designer	\$16,280
Salary Calculation: \$185/hr (88 hours)	
Duties Description: Research, analysis and planning	
Total Personnel Costs:	\$44,220

#### 2. **EXPENSES**:

Transportation/Travel	
Title: FAM trip and workshop trip expenses	\$5,500
Description: Airfare, car rental, hotel & meals for	
two people & workshop team lunch	
Other Costs	
Title: Survey incentive	\$240
Description: Gift card for travel	
Total	\$49,960