

AN ORDINANCE AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE 2024 FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORKS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Section 59 of the Avon Lake Charter, entitled Competitive Bidding, authorizes the awarding of contracts under \$75,000 without public bidding;

WHEREAS, the Mayor has solicited proposals for the 2024 Fourth of July fireworks display at Weiss Field (the "Fireworks Display"); and

WHEREAS, Council, coming now to consider said proposals, has determined that the proposal submitted by Zambelli Fireworks ("Zambelli") of New Castle, Pennsylvania, is the best responsive proposal and is acceptable to this Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AVON LAKE, STATE OF OHIO:

Section No. 1: That the proposal by Zambelli to provide the Fireworks Display, for the contract price of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00), is hereby accepted.

Section No. 2: That the Mayor shall be authorized and is hereby directed to execute and deliver, on behalf of the City, a contract with Zambelli for the Fireworks Display, such contract to be on terms and conditions acceptable to the Mayor and approved by the Law Director as to form.

Section No. 3: That among other provisions of the contract, the contract shall require that:

- (a) To ensure the faithful performance of the contract, Zambelli shall furnish a performance bond satisfactory to the Mayor and approved as to form by the Law Director; and
- (b) Zambelli shall deposit, and keep in force and effect on file with the Director of Finance, certificates of policies of insurance in a form and in amounts acceptable to the Director of Finance designating the City as an additional insured.

Section No. 4: That upon execution of the contract, the Director of Finance shall be authorized and directed to issue the warrant of the City to Zambelli in payment of one-half of the contract price, and upon receipt that the obligations of Zambelli under the contract have been completed to the satisfaction of the Mayor, the Director of Finance shall be authorized and directed to issue the warrant of the

City to Zambelli in payment of the balance of the amount determined by the Mayor to be due to Zambelli under the contract.

Section No. 5: That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees which resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section No. 6: That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, the emergency being the necessity of securing a contract for the 2024 Fourth of July fireworks display, thus for the public health, safety, and welfare. Therefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its passage and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: 1/08/2024

/s/ Martin E. O'Donnell

President of Council

POSTED: 1/12/2024

APPROVED: 1/09/2024

ATTEST: /s/ Valerie E. Rosmarin

/s/ Mark Spaetzel

Clerk of Council

Mayor

**ZAMBELLI FIREWORKS MANUFACTURING CO.**

THIS CONTRACT AND AGREEMENT (this "Contract") is made effective as of this  
14th day of December 20 23, by and between:

**Zambelli Fireworks Manufacturing Co.** of Warrendale, Pennsylvania (hereinafter referred to as "Zambelli"),

-AND-

The City of Avon Lake, Ohio hereinafter referred to as "Client").

WHEREAS, Zambelli is in the business of designing and performing exhibitions and displays of fireworks; and

WHEREAS, Client desires that Zambelli provide an exhibition and display of fireworks for Client's benefit pursuant to the terms and conditions hereof, and Zambelli desires to perform an exhibition and display of fireworks for Client's benefit pursuant to the terms and conditions hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements herein contained:

Zambelli, intending to be legally bound, agrees as follows:

1. Zambelli agrees to sell, furnish and deliver to Client a fireworks display [per the program submitted by Zambelli to Client, accepted by Client and made a part hereof] (hereinafter referred to as the "Display") to be exhibited on the display date set forth below (hereinafter referred to as the "Display Date"), or on the postponement date set forth below (hereinafter referred to as the "Postponement Date") if the display is postponed as provided herein, which Display Date and Postponement Date have been agreed upon at the time of the signing of this contract.

**Display Date:** July 3, 2024      **Postponement Date:** July 5, 2024

2. Zambelli agrees to furnish the services of display technicians (hereinafter referred to as "Display Technicians") who are sufficiently trained to present the Display. Zambelli shall determine in its sole discretion the number of Display Technicians necessary to take charge of and safely present the Display.
3. Zambelli agrees to furnish insurance coverage in connection with the Display for bodily injury and property damage, including products liability, which insurance shall include Client as additional insured regarding claims made against Client for bodily injury or property damage arising from the operations of Zambelli in performing the Display provided for in this Contract. Such insurance afforded by Zambelli shall not include claims made against Client for bodily injury or property damage arising from failure of Client, including through or by its employees, agents and independent contractors, to perform its obligations under this Contract, including without limitation those set forth in paragraphs 5 and 5 below. Client shall indemnify and hold Zambelli harmless from all claims and suits made against Zambelli for bodily injury or property damage arising from failure of Client, including through or by its employees, agents and independent contractors, to perform its obligations under this Contract, including without limitation those set forth in paragraphs 5 and 6 below.

Client, intending to be legally bound, agrees as follows:

4. Client agrees to pay Zambelli the sum of \$ 25,000.00 (hereinafter referred to as the "Purchase Price"), fifty percent (50%) of which is due upon signing this Contract and the balance of which is due at noon three (3) days prior to the Display Date. All credit card payments will be subject to a 3.9% surcharge. Zambelli reserves the right to add to Client's invoice an equitable transportation surcharge in the event of any material increase in transportation costs (including the cost of fuel and third party shipping costs) to Zambelli after the date of this Contract. In addition, Client agrees to pay a postponement fee of fifteen percent (15%) of the Purchase Price plus Additional Third Party Charges (as defined in paragraph 11 below) if the Display is fired on the Postponement Date, or twenty-five percent (25%) of the Purchase Price plus Additional Third Party Charges if the Display is fired on a date other than the Display Date or the Postponement Date ("Alternate Date"). The Alternate Date must occur within six months of the original Display Date at a time agreeable to both Zambelli and the Client. Generally, Alternate Dates will not include the period from June 28<sup>th</sup> through July 7<sup>th</sup>. Checks shall be made payable to Zambelli Fireworks Manufacturing Co., unless otherwise authorized in writing by

Zambelli. NO CASH shall be paid to any agent or employee of Zambelli, unless otherwise authorized in writing by Zambelli. There shall be no refund of the Purchase Price due and payable under this paragraph 4, except as specifically provided in paragraph 11 below.

5. Client agrees to meet all deadlines including but not limited to the following:
  - (a) Client must select a suitable place for the Display, including a firing and debris zone reasonably acceptable to Zambelli (hereinafter referred to as the "Display Area") and submit such selection to Zambelli no later than sixty (60) days prior to the Display Date. The Display Area shall adhere to or exceed applicable National Fire Protection Association ("NFPA") standards including the Zambelli guideline that the Display Area have a radius of at least 100 feet per inch (or as mutually agreed to between Zambelli and Client) of the largest diameter pyrotechnic from the firing site in all directions to any parking area, spectators, inhabited buildings, public roads, or active railroad. Client shall submit a site map (attached hereto as Exhibit A) to Zambelli accurately representing the physical characteristics of the Display Area as pertains to NFPA and Zambelli guidelines. The content of the Display may be limited by the selection of the Display Area due to the requirement to provide sufficient safety zones.
6. Zambelli will secure all permits necessary for the Display as required, including but not limited to police, local, state permits and arrange for any security bonds or insurance as required by law. In addition, Zambelli will notify and obtain permission from the FAA and United States Coast Guard, when necessary. Client will assist Zambelli when appropriate in completing permit applications.
  - (a) **If the Display is choreographed to music, the final selection of the music must be submitted to Zambelli by Client no later than ninety (90) days prior to the Display Date.**
7. If, in its sole discretion, Client designates an area for members of the public to view the Display (hereinafter referred to as the "Spectator Area") or an area for vehicular parking (hereinafter referred to as the "Parking Area"), Client shall (a) ensure that the Spectator Area does not infringe on the Display Area, (b) have sole responsibility for ensuring that the terrain of the Spectator Area and any structures thereon, including but not limited to grandstands and bleachers are safe for use by spectators, (c) have sole responsibility for ensuring that the Parking Area is safe for use, (d) have sole responsibility to police, monitor and appropriately control spectator access to the Spectator Area and the Parking Area and police, monitor and appropriately control the behavior of persons in these areas. It is expressly agreed that Zambelli shall not inspect any area other than the Display Area, except to ensure that any Spectator or Parking Areas are outside the Display Area.
8. Prior to, during, and immediately following the Display, Client shall monitor the Display Area and will be solely responsible to keep all persons and property not authorized by Zambelli out of the Display Area and behind safety zone lines and limits.
9. Following the Display, Client shall be solely responsible for policing of the Display Area and for cleanup except as specifically provided in the sentence immediately following. Zambelli shall be responsible for the removal of unexploded fireworks and the cleanup of material debris, the removal of frames, sets and lumber from the Discharge Area, and the refilling of holes created by Zambelli or on behalf of Zambelli within the Discharge Area.
10. Client will include a direct reference to "Zambelli Fireworks" in all promotional material, including but not limited to event schedules; radio, television, newspaper and internet announcements; newspaper articles; and other media.

The parties, intending to be legally bound, mutually agree as follows:

11. It is agreed and understood by the parties hereto that should inclement weather prevent firing of the Display on the Display Date, as determined by the Authority Having Jurisdiction (as defined in paragraph 14 below) or as reasonably determined by Zambelli, then the program shall be postponed and fired on the Postponement Date. If there is no Postponement Date and the Display is not fired on the Display Date, or if inclement weather

prevents firing of the Display on the Postponement Date, as determined by the Authority Having Jurisdiction or as reasonably determined by Zambelli, the Display will be cancelled and There will be no refund of the Deposit or fifty percent (50%) of the Purchase Price, whichever is greater.

12. Client's cancellation of the Display will only be effective upon receipt by Zambelli of a written notice from an authorized person representing Client. In the event of cancellation of the Display, the parties agree as follows:
  - (a) If Client cancels the Display more than sixty-one (61) days prior to the Display Date, Client agrees to pay Zambelli a cancellation fee equal to ten percent (10%) of the Purchase Price plus Additional Third Party Charges, as defined below.
  - (b) If Client cancels the Display from thirty-one (31) to sixty (60) days prior to the Display Date, Client agrees to pay Zambelli a cancellation fee equal to twenty percent (20%) of the Purchase Price plus Additional Third Party Charges, as defined below.
  - (c) If Client cancels the Display from five (5) to thirty (30) days prior to the Display Date, Client agrees to pay Zambelli a cancellation fee equal to thirty percent (30%) of the Purchase Price plus Additional Third Party Charges, as defined below.
  - (d) If Client cancels the Display less than five (5) days prior to the day of the Display, Client agrees to pay Zambelli a cancellation fee equal to fifty percent (50%) of the Purchase Price plus Additional Third Party Charges, as defined below.
  - (e) "Additional Third Party Charges" shall mean all costs and expenses incurred by Zambelli and paid or payable to third parties in connection with the Display, including but not limited to security fees, permits and licensing fees and expenses, barge and tow expenses, and firewatch fees.
13. Zambelli reserves the exclusive right to make minor modifications and substitutions to the Display, provided that such changes are reasonable and necessary and do not materially, adversely affect price, time of delivery, functional character or performance of the Display.
14. It shall be within Zambelli's and/or the Authority Having Jurisdiction's discretion to terminate the firing of the Display if any unsafe or unsuitable condition is identified. If such condition is not corrected, Zambelli may cancel the Display without further liability to Client for such cancellation.
15. The parties agree to cooperate with the regulatory authorities having jurisdiction over the Display, including, but not limited to local fire and police departments, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Department of Transportation, the Department of Homeland Security, and the USCG (any such authority having jurisdiction over the Display is sometimes referred to herein as, the "Authority Having Jurisdiction"). The parties acknowledge that such governmental regulatory authorities having jurisdiction over the Display have the right to prohibit the Display until unsafe or unsuitable conditions are corrected.
16. This contract shall be deemed made in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, excluding its conflict of law rules. The parties agree and consent to the jurisdiction of the courts of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the Federal District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania to decide all disputes regarding this Contract.
17. If Client becomes bankrupt or insolvent, or if a petition in bankruptcy is filed by or against Client or if a receiver is appointed for Client, Zambelli may refuse to perform under this Contract and may terminate this Contract without prejudice to the rights of Zambelli. If Client's financial condition becomes unsatisfactory to Zambelli, Zambelli may require that Client deposit the balance of the Purchase Price in escrow or provide sufficient proof of its ability to pay the balance of the Purchase Price.
18. Except to the extent, if any, specifically provided to the contrary herein, in no event shall Zambelli be liable to Client for any indirect, special, consequential, incidental or punitive damages or lost profits, however caused and on any theory of liability (including negligence of any kind, strict liability or tort) arising in any way out of this contract, whether or not Zambelli has been advised of the possibility of damages.
19. If Client fails to pay the monies due under this Contract, Zambelli is entitled to recover the balance due plus interest at one and one-half percent (1 ½ %) per month on amounts past due sixty (60) days or more. Further,

on balances outstanding one hundred twenty (120) days or more, Zambelli is entitled to recover the balance due, plus accrued interest, plus attorneys fees of ten percent (10%) of the amount past due, plus court costs, or, if less, the maximum amount permitted by law.

- 20. This Contract shall not be construed to create a partnership or joint venture between the parties or persons mentioned herein.
- 21. Each party hereunder shall be excused for the period of delay in the performance of any of its obligations hereunder and shall not be liable for failure to perform or considered in default hereunder, when prevented from so performing by a cause or causes beyond its reasonable control, including but not limited to fire, storm, earthquake, flood, drought, accident, explosion, operation malfunction, or interruption, strikes, lockouts, labor disputes, riots, war (whether or not declared or whether or not the United States is a member), Federal, state, municipal or other governmental legal restriction or limitation or compliance therewith, failure or delay of transportation, shortage of, or inability to obtain materials, supplies, equipment, fuel, power, labor or other operational necessity, interruption or curtailment of power supply, or act of God, nature or public enemy.
- 22. This Contract constitutes the sole and entire understanding of the parties with respect to the matters contemplated hereby and supersedes and renders null and void all prior negotiations, representations, agreements and understandings (oral and written) between the parties with respect to such matters. No change or amendment may be made to this Contract except by an instrument in writing signed by each of the parties.
- 23. Notices, consents, requests or other communications required or permitted to be given by either party pursuant to this Contract shall be given in writing by first class mail, postage prepaid addressed as follows: if to Zambelli, to the address set forth below; if to Client, to 150 Avon Belden R. Avon Lake, OH 44012
- 24. This Contract may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original but all of which together shall be deemed to be one and the same instrument. The exchange of copies of this Contract and of signature pages by facsimile transmission shall constitute effective execution and delivery of this Contract as to the parties and may be used in lieu of the original Contract for all purposes. This Contract and all the rights and powers granted by this Contract shall bind and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assigns.
- 25. N/A

WITNESS WHEREOF, we set our hands and seals to the agreement in duplicate the day and year first above written.

**FOR Client:**

**FOR: Zambelli Fireworks Manufacturing Co.**

BY \_\_\_\_\_  
date

BY \_\_\_\_\_  
date

The City of Avon Lake, Ohio

**Printed Name and Title**

**Printed Name and Title**

Please sign contract where indicated for Client and return all copies for final acceptance to:

**Zambelli Fireworks Manufacturing Co.**

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