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October 20, 2016

Mayor Timothy Hanna
Anthony Saucerman, Director of Finance
Karen Harkness, Director of Community & Economic Development
City of Appleton
100 N. Appleton Street
Appleton, WI 54911

Attn: Karen Harkness

Dear Mayor Hanna:

Enclosed is our proposal to consult with the City on its hotel tax funded exhibition center project. We understand that the City is considering several methods of financing to fund the project. These include:

- · Placement of the debt with a bank or banks who would act as direct lenders
- Placement of the debt to one or more accredited investors through the services of a private placement agent
- · Sale of the debt in the general market

Our role is to consult with the City on reviewing and discussing the terms of any offer. We are not acting in any broker-dealer role.

Specifically, we will review the documents prepared by bond counsel and other City consultants and any termsheet offered by the City's financing group or banks. We will offer comments and suggestions based on our expertise and knowledge.

We will review the terms presented, including rates, early redemption provisions, payment terms, credit items including reserves, and cash flow provisions including funding of the loan as well as repayment.

Upon request, we can be available for meetings with City representatives, hotel personnel and others.

Our base fee shall be \$10,000, which covers all services related to review and editing of the offering memorandum, review of legal and planning documents, phone conversations with potential lenders, and financial modeling. In the event that there is a private placement of the debt to local banks our transaction fee shall be \$2,500 and if to non-bank investors, our fee shall be \$5,000. For a public marketing, the transaction fee shall be at a rate of \$150 per hour. Incidental out of pocket expenses will be billed at cost.

We look forward to working with you on this project.

Sincerely,

Kevin

Kevin W. McCanna Chairman

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FINANCIAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS FINANCIAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") between The City of Appleton, Wisconsin ("Client") and Speer Financial, Inc. Chicago, Illinois ("Speer") is entered into as of the date of execution (the "Effective Date").

WHEREAS, Speer is a consulting firm specializing in municipal finance related matters (the "Business");

WHEREAS, Client desires to retain the services of Speer to provide certain services relative to the Business and Speer wishes to provide such services to Client;

WHEREAS, Client is a Municipal Entity and Speer is a Municipal Advisor as such terms are defined within the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and

NOW THEREFOR, the parties agree as follows:

1. Services.

- (a) <u>Municipal Advisor Services</u>. Speer agrees to provide certain services to Client as a Municipal Advisor ("Municipal Advisor Services") upon receipt of a request from Client for such services ("Project Request"). Speer may provide any or all of the Municipal Advisor Services set forth on Exhibit A hereto, or as otherwise may be requested by Client from time to time. Upon the receipt of a Project Request for Municipal Advisor Services, Speer and Client shall determine a mutually agreed upon scope of Speer's engagement to provide such services ("Municipal Advisor Engagement"). Any agreement related to the Municipal Advisor Engagement shall be memorialized by way of an engagement letter issued by Speer to Client ("Engagement Letter"). Any such Engagement Letter shall contain a description of the subject matter of the financing to be completed (the "Project") as well as the list of Municipal Advisor Services to be provided by Speer in connection with such Project to the extent that the Municipal Advisor Services to be provided by Speer in connection with the Project shall differ from those contained with Exhibit A hereto. Client agrees and acknowledges that in no event shall this Agreement be construed as having authorized Speer to commence a Municipal Advisor Engagement absent the parties' acknowledgement of a corresponding Engagement Letter.
- (b) <u>Authorization</u>. Client hereby authorizes its Mayor, Economic Development Director to discuss with Speer the terms of any Engagement Letter, and authorizes the Mayor, Economic Development Director to acknowledge any such Engagement Letter on behalf of Client, as well as any additional disclosures of Speer that may be contained therein.

2. Term and Termination.

- (a) <u>The Agreement.</u> This Agreement shall be effective as of the Effective Date and shall remain in effect until terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, termination of this Agreement shall automatically terminate any Municipal Advisor Engagement then in effect.
- (b) The Municipal Advisor Engagement. Once effective, a Municipal Advisor Engagement shall remain in effect until the earlier of (i) the Project is completed and Speer has received compensation for its services, or (ii) the Municipal Advisor Engagement is terminated by either party upon (30) days prior written notice to the other party. In the event that any Municipal Advisor Engagement is terminated prior to the completion of the Project, Speer reserves the right to assess fees for any work performed pursuant to any then outstanding Engagement Letter based upon the actual hours spent on the Project by Speer.

- 10. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts via facsimile or other electronic transmission, each of which will be deemed an original, and all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument.
- 11. <u>Headings</u>. All headings or captions used herein are for the convenience of reference only and shall not affect the meaning, construction or interpretation of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their respective representatives as of the date first written above.

CITY OF APPLETON WISCONSIN	SPEER FINANCIAL, INC.
Ву:	Ву:
Name:	Name:
Title:	Title:
Date:	Date:

B. Competitive Sale Services

To facilitate the competitive sale of the Client's securities issuance, Speer's services may include any or all of the following:

- (1) Authorizing Resolutions/Ordinances. Assist our Client's attorney and/or bond counsel with regard to the financial provisions to be included within the Client's authorizing resolutions/ordinances relative to the securities issuance.
- (2) Credit Rating and/or Insurance. When applying for a credit rating and/or bond issuance, Speer will submit the necessary data and documents to the appropriate entities, and arrange for the presentation of materials to the selected credit rating agency and/or insurance company(ies).
- (3) Official Statement, Notice of Sale and Bid Form.
 - a. <u>Preparation of Documents</u>. Prepare a preliminary Official Statement, Term Sheet, Statement of Facts or Limited Offering Memorandum (each a, "Disclosure Document"), Notice of Sale and Bid Form. Following the award of the securities, Speer shall prepare the final Disclosure Document corresponding to the Project. The Disclosure Document will describe the securities being issued and will contain detailed information provided by the Client and bond counsel as is necessary to permit prospective purchasers to make intelligent judgments.
 - b. <u>Notice of Sale Publication</u>. Notify prospective purchasers of the sale without cost to the Client and prepare, as necessary, a Notice of Sale.
 - c. Encouragement to Bidders. Circulate the preliminary Disclosure Document to our appropriate list of potential purchasers, including, investment institutions, banks and underwriters, to solicit bids from such firms for the Clients' securities. Make contact with underwriters to induce formation of bidding groups and, generally, undertake these activities in order to generate bids. Provide copies of the preliminary Disclosure Document and Official Bid Forms, as applicable, for each sale to our Clients for distribution to local banks and elected officials.
 - d. <u>Bid Opening, Analysis and Recommendations</u>. Conduct each sale, examine the bids submitted for completeness and compliance with the applicable bidding requirements, evaluate the bids for accuracy, and recommend a proposed course of action relative thereto.
- (4) Preparation, Registration and Delivery of Securities. Conduct all necessary undertakings in order to complete the financing, including, monitoring the preparation, registration and delivery of the securities being issued.
- (5) Debt Service Schedule. Provide the Client with a final debt service schedule and other materials pertinent to the securities sale.

- b. <u>Proposal Analysis and Recommendations</u>. Review and examine the proposals submitted for completeness and compliance with the applicable RFP/RFQ requirements, evaluate the proposals for accuracy, and recommend a proposed course of action relative to the proposals received.
- (3) Advise on Financing Terms. Advise the Client on the terms of the financing including the interest rate offered and the covenants required by the intended purchaser.
- (4) Preparation, Registration and Delivery of Securities. Conduct all necessary undertakings in order to complete the financing, including, monitoring the preparation, registration and delivery of the securities being issued.
- (5) Debt Service Schedule. Provide the Client with a final debt service schedule and other materials pertinent to the securities sale.

Speer will always serve as municipal advisor to the Client and as such will not specifically identify investors/purchasers in a securities offering or negotiate specific terms with the investor/purchaser of the Client's securities. Speer will not negotiate terms to directly place an issuance of securities with an investor. Any investors contacted or solicited will be identified by the Client and contacted on behalf of the Client.

POST-ISSUANCE AND NON-ISSUANCE RELATED SERVICES

A. Continuing Disclosure Services

Following most securities issuances, municipal entities will have certain continuing disclosure obligations, which require issuers to prepare and file an "Annual Financial Update". Information contained in any such Annual Financial Update shall be the type required in subsection (b)(5)(i)(A) of Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12 (Rule 15c2-12). In connection with any such Annual Financial Update, Speer is available to provide any or all of the following services:

- (1) Annual Financial Update. Compile necessary information relative to and from the Client and, thereafter, prepare the Annual Financial Update for filing with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board's Electronic Municipal Market Access (EMMA) data repository.
- (2) Dissemination Agent. File with EMMA the Annual Financial Update on behalf of our Clients.
- (3) Material Events Notice. Upon receiving notice and direction from Client with respect to any events that may be considered a material event for purposes of Rule 15c2-12, prepare and file with EMMA a Material Events Notice.
- (4) Disclosure Review. Review prior disclosures to ensure compliance with any then applicable rules and regulations. Following any such review in which potential disclosure violations are discovered, Speer will provide the Client with a recommendation relative to remedying any such violations, and, upon request of the Client, prepare and file any necessary supplementary disclosures with EMMA in order to remedy any such violation.

EXHIBIT B FEE SCHEDULE

Services

The base fee shall be \$10,000 and include reviewing and editing of the offering circular, review of planning documents, review of legal documents, phone conferences with potential lenders and production of financing models.

In the event that there is a purchase of debt by local banks the transaction fee shall be \$2,500. In the event that there is a private placement through a placement agent, the transaction fee shall be \$5,000.

In the event that there is a public sale of debt through a securities firm, the transaction fee shall be based on the following hourly rates:

Municipal Advisor Personnel: \$150/hour Administrative Personnel: \$50/hour

At the beginning of the project financing, it is expected that the financing will be undertaken on a dual track of private placement and public sale, to facilitate the efficient completion of the financing.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Exhibit B, fees for any services provided pursuant to this Agreement shall not include out-of-pocket expenditures as described more fully under Section 3 of this Agreement.

Fee paid under a retainer agreement. Under a retainer agreement, fees are paid to a municipal advisor periodically (e.g., monthly) and are not contingent upon the completion of a financing or other transaction. Fees paid under a retainer agreement may be calculated on a fixed fee basis (e.g., a fixed fee per month regardless of the number of hours worked) or an hourly basis (e.g., a minimum monthly payment, with additional amounts payable if a certain number of hours worked is exceeded). A retainer agreement does not present the conflicts associated with a contingent fee arrangement (described above).

Fee based upon principal or notional amount and term of transaction. Under this form of compensation, the municipal advisor's fee is based upon a percentage of the principal amount of an issue of securities (e.g., bonds) or, in the case of a derivative, the present value of or notional amount and term of the derivative. This form of compensation presents a conflict of interest because the advisor may have an incentive to advise the Client to increase the size of the securities issue or modify the derivative for the purpose of increasing the advisor's compensation.

B. Other Material Conflicts of Interest

The MSRB requires us, as your municipal advisor, to provide written disclosure to you about material conflicts of interest. The following represent Speer material conflicts of interest known to Speer as of the date of this Representation Letter.

As of the date of this Municipal Advisory Relationship, Speer is unaware of any material conflicts of interest.

2. DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL EVENTS AND DISCIPLINARY ACTION

The MSRB requires us, as your municipal advisor, to provide written disclosure to you of any legal or disciplinary events material to your evaluation of Speer or the integrity of Speer's management or advisory personnel.

<u>Material Legal or Disciplinary Event.</u> There are no legal or disciplinary events that are material to the Client's evaluation of Speer or the integrity of Speer's management or advisory personnel disclosed, or that should be disclosed, on any Form MA or Form MA-I filed with the SEC.

How to Access Form MA and Form MA-I Filings. Speer's most recent form MA and each most recent Form MA-I filed with the SEC are available on the SEC's EDGAR system at:

http://www.sec.gov/cgi-bin/browse-edgar?action=getcompany&CIK=0001606944

<u>Most Recent Change in Legal or Disciplinary Event Disclosure.</u> Speer has not made any material legal or disciplinary event disclosures on Form MA or any form MA-I filed with the SEC.

3. Future Disclosures

As required by MSRB Rule G-42, the Required Disclosures found in this Exhibit B may be supplemented or amended, from time to time as needed, to reflect changed circumstances resulting in new conflicts of interest or changes in conflicts of interest described above, or to provide updated information with regard to any legal or disciplinary events of Speer. Speer will provide the Client with any such supplemental or amended information as it becomes available through the term of the Municipal Advisory Relationship.