



PROPOSAL LETTER

July 19, 2021

Morongo Valley CSD
Chief Gerald Yearsley
11207 Ocotillo St.
Morongo Valley, CA 92256

Re: Revised Proposal to provide Fire Prevention Plan Review and Inspection Services

Dear Chief Yearsley

Charles Abbott Associates, Inc. (CAA) is pleased to present this proposal letter to provide Fire Prevention Services which include plan check and inspection services for the Morongo Valley CSD. In particular, CAA proposes to:

- Participate in Code Adoption process
- Review and comment on projects requiring discretionary review through the Morongo's Development Review process
- Attend necessary meetings with staff and the development community as directed by the Morongo Valley CSD
- Provide a Fire Prevention when needed to meet with the public, review fire plans and answers fire prevention questions, in addition the Fire Prevention Official will conduct fire inspections as scheduled.
- Plan review for compliance with the California Fire Code, as amended and adopted by the State of California (Title 24, Part 9 of the California Fire Code) and the Morongo Valley local requirements.
- Plan review for compliance with the National Fire Codes as published by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), as adopted and referenced by the State of California (Title 24, Part 2 of the California Building Code; Title 24, Part 9 of the California Fire Code) and the Morongo Valley local requirements.
- Plan review for compliance with applicable provisions relating to fire alarm systems of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) as well as National Electrical Code as published by the NFPA, as adopted and amended by the State of California (Title 24, Part 3 of the California Electrical Code.)

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- Plan review for compliance with the Morongo Valley Fire Department specifications and requirements; adopted local ordinances relative to building and fire protection, including project Conditions of Approval from other jurisdictions, departments and regulating agencies.
- Plan review hazardous processes as prescribed in the California Fire Code to confirm design complies with the California Fire Code, as amended and adopted by the State of California (Title 24, Part 9 of the California Fire Code) and the Morongo Valley local requirements.
- Inspections of all new structures and modifications to existing structures for compliance with all State and Local requirements as prescribed by the California Building Code; California Fire Code; and Morongo Valley local requirements.
- Inspections of fixed fire suppression systems to confirm installation complies with the approved plans; State requirements; local requirements and manufacturer's specifications.
- Inspections of underground fire mains and hydrants to confirm installation complies with the approved plans; State requirements; local requirements and manufacturer's specifications.
- Inspections of fire sprinkler systems to confirm installation complies with the approved plans; State requirements; local requirements and manufacturer's specifications.
- Inspections of fire alarm systems to confirm installation complies with the approved plans; State requirements; local requirements and manufacturer's specifications.
- Inspections of commercial kitchen exhaust hoods to confirm installation complies with the approved plans; State requirements; local requirements and manufacturer's specifications.
- Inspections of spray booths to confirm installation complies with the approved plans; State requirements; local requirements and manufacturer's specifications.
- Inspections of all other hazardous processes regulated by the California Fire Code and the Morongo Valley local requirements to confirm installation complies with the approved plans; State requirements; local requirements and manufacturer's specifications.
- CAA will perform the following inspections as requested, within 48 hours of request within normal business hours.

All State mandated inspections; including public schools, care facilities and other regulated uses at least annually to confirm compliance with all State requirements for fire and life safety. Provide any necessary; follow-up and inspections to confirm compliance with those requirements.

Our proposal is presented in the following sections:

1. Methodology
2. Time frame
3. Compensation

A brief discussion of each section follows.

METHODOLOGY

CAA will provide the staff assignments and resources necessary to provide Fire Plan Check and Fire Inspection Services as described above. We will continue to provide qualified and certified staff in carrying out the duties of fire prevention. CAA will take the responsibility for coordination of these services to assure that they are provided in a timely manner.

As CAA's Director of Building and Fire Services, I will take the lead role in coordinating these services.

TIME FRAME

All services will be provided in a timely manner. Specifically, CAA will review all initial submittals in 15 working days or less, review all re-submittals in 7 working days or less, and conduct all requested inspections within 48 hours of normal business days that the FPO is in the City.

COMPENSATION

CAA's compensation for providing the proposed services will be at a percent of fee rate of 70% of the proposed Fire Prevention Fees as adopted for development projects, and an hourly rate of \$97/hr for Annual Inspections.

SUMMARY

We are confident that our proposal and approach assures that the expectations of the CSD are met or exceeded. At the core of our approach is a sincere commitment to continue serving the Morongo Valley CSD effectively by providing a project team that can integrate its knowledge with sound judgment. We are confident that the end products will continue to serve the CSD very effectively.

We look forward to creating an outstanding working relationship with the Morongo Valley CSD and providing a service the CSD can be proud of, working to serve the community in keeping everyone safe through code compliance.

Very Truly Yours,
CHARLES ABBOTT ASSOCIATES, INC.



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Director

Registered Engineer/Certified Building Official

Years of Experience

39+

Education

B.S., Civil Engineering, California State University, Los Angeles

Professional Licenses

Professional Engineer GA, CA, CO, FL, NV, TX

Certifications

ICC Certified Fire Marshal
ICC Certified Building Official
ICC Certified Master Code Professional
ICC Fire Code Specialist
ICC Fire Plans Examiner
ICC Certified Fire Inspector I
ICC Certified Fire Inspector II
ICC Comm. Fire Sprinkler Plans Examiner
ICC Comm. Fire Sprinkler Inspector
ICC Res. Fire Sprinkler Plans Examiner/Insp
ICC Certified Building Inspector
ICC Certified Electrical Inspector
ICC Certified Mechanical Inspector
OES/CALEMA Disaster Service Worker
Level IB Certified Inspector

KEY QUALIFICATIONS

- Extensive Project Management Experience
- Registered Civil Engineer in CA, NV, CO, GA, FL, and TX
- Municipal Experience
- Hands-on Public Works Experience

ICC Certified Plumbing Inspector
ICC Certified Plans Examiner
ICC Certified Combination Inspector
ICC Certified Comb. Dwelling Inspector
ICC Commercial Energy Plans Examiner
ICC Commercial Energy Inspector
ICC Res. Energy Plans Examiner/Inspector
ICC Accessibility Inspector/Plans Examiner
ICC Building Code Specialist
Certified Access Specialist (CASp)
Qualified SWPPP Developer (QSD)

Level II Certified Design Professional

Mr Grider has over 39 years of construction, fire prevention, building & safety, and public works experience. He has held the position of Building Official, Fire Marshal, County Engineer, Sr. Engineering Manager as well as numerous other key positions in the field. Well known in the public sector as a compassionate leader focused on customer service, he is routinely involved in the presentation of building code, engineering principles and advancing the cause of preventing life loss and protecting property. As Director for CAA, he directs the services CAA provides in building and safety, fire prevention, and engineering. He is also responsible for quality control and evaluation.

Professional Memberships & Affiliations

Member American Society of Civil Engineer (ASCE)
Member American Public Works Association (APWA)
Member Structural Engineers Association of Southern California (SEAOSC)
Member Structural Engineers Institute (SEI)
Member California Building Officials (CALBO)
Member International Code Council (ICC)
Safety Assessment Emergency Services – State of California SAPC61525

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Craig Sanchez – Fire prevention Specialist

Education: A.S, Electrical Engineering, ITT
Technical Institute, West Covina

Yrs. Experience: 18+ Years Experience

Certifications: ICC Certified Fire Inspector

KEY QUALIFICATIONS

- Extensive Fire Plan Review Experience
- Fire Inspection Experience
- Municipal Experience
- Excellent Communication Skills

Mr. Sanchez has worked in the capacity of Fire Prevention Specialist at the City of Yucaipa, Calimesa and Highland since 2006. Craig has reviewed hundreds of plans ranging from single family dwellings to industrial /commercial buildings, including fire suppression systems, smoke systems, fire alarm systems, hood and duct systems, as well as various exiting systems and life safety components. In the capacity of Fire Prevention Specialist he also reviews all projects and conditions each for the development review process. Mr. Sanchez participates in design review meetings and meets with the public and design professionals during counter hours. As the Fire Prevention Specialist he conducts inspections of all structures throughout the construction process and for final approval for occupancy.

KEY QUALIFICATIONS:

- ▶ NFSA Fire Sprinkler Overhead Systems
- ▶ NFSA Fire Sprinkler Underground Systems
- ▶ NFSA Fire Sprinkler Earthquake Protection for Sprinkler Systems.
- ▶ AFFA / CAFFA Automatic Fire Detection and Fire Alarms
- ▶ AFFA / CAFFA Intermediate Fire Alarms
- ▶ Fire Alarm Planchecks for the City of Temecula, CA
- ▶ Fire Alarm Planchecks for the City of El Cajon, CA
- ▶ ICC Fire Prevention Institute:
 - Haz-Mat
 - Means of Egress
 - High Piled Combustible Storage
 - Fire Protection Systems

Key qualifications:

- Currently Serving as Fire Prevention Specialist for the City of Yucaipa, and Highland. As well as serving as Inspector and Plans Examiner.
- Previously served the Cities of Temecula and Fernely NV,.
- Thorough knowledge of Fire codes, regulations and construction industry standards.

Michael Buenger – Fire Prevention Plans Examiner

Education: College of DuPage – Completing AAS in Fire Science Technology

Yrs. Experience: 37+ Years Experience

Certifications:

ICC Fire Inspector I & II, Certified Fire Plans Examiner, Fire Code Official
ICC Certified Building plans examiner, Certified Building Official
ICC Commercial Building Inspector
ICC Residential Building Inspector
ICC Residential Mechanical Inspector.
ICC Residential Plumbing Inspector
ICC Property Maintenance and Housing Inspector.
United States Department of Labor Building Inspector
State of Illinois Certified Fire Prevention Officer I
State of Illinois Fire Officer I
State of Illinois Fire Service Instructor II
State of Illinois Certified Fire Apparatus Engineer
State Fire Marshal Hazardous Material Technician
State of Illinois Certified Fire Fighter III
FAA Certified Flight Instructor

KEY QUALIFICATIONS

- Extensive Fire Plan Review Experience
- Fire Inspection Experience
- Municipal Experience
- Supervisory Experience

Mr. Buenger has worked in the capacity of Fire Plans Examiner for many years as well as serving as Fire Lieutenant and Fire Code Official. Michael has reviewed several hundred of plan ranging from single family dwellings to industrial /commercial buildings, including clean agent suppression systems, water-based suppression systems, UL 300 systems and deflagration prevention systems. Review fire alarm related systems including fire detection systems, elevator recall, voice evacuation and mass notification systems, as wells as various exiting systems and life safety components. He has supervised and coordinated inspectors. Michael also spent 20 years as a certified building inspector. Michael will support the team with plan review as needed.

Brian Weidman – Fire Prevention Plans Examiner

Education: California State University Los Angeles
Bachelor's Degree Fire Protection Administration and
Technology
Associates of Science Degree in Fire Science, Rio Hondo
College

Yrs. Experience: 18+ Years Experience

Certifications:

- Fire Inspector I, Fire Inspector II, Fire Plans Examiner and California UST Inspector, ICC
- Fire Fighter I and II, California State Fire Marshal's Office (CSFM)
- California State Firefighters Association Fire and Life Safety Committee Co-chair (2004 - present)
- Member of the CSFM Automatic Extinguishing Systems Advisory Committee (2011 – 2015)
- Long Beach Fire Department Civilian Employee of the Year (2011)

KEY QUALIFICATIONS

- Fire Inspection Experience
- Fire Plan Review Experience
- Alarm Design Experience
- Sprinkler Design Experience

Mr. Weidman has held the position of Deputy Fire Marshal at the City of Long Beach, he has worked as a plan checker from 2006 to 2011 and worked in the capacity of fire inspector from 2002 to 2006. Brian has reviewed several many plans of varying complexity. He has conducted inspections of new and existing construction for code compliance. He has performed plan reviews of new construction and tenant improvements of varying complexity. He has conducted annual fire inspections of residential and commercial properties. Brian will support the team with plan review as needed.

Manuel Huizar – Fire prevention Specialist

Education: A.S, Fire Technology Riverside Community College

Yrs. Experience: 10+ Years Experience

Certifications: NICET Certified Level I
OSFM Inspector 1A,1B,1C,1D

KEY QUALIFICATIONS

- Fire Inspection Experience
- Fire Plan Review Experience
- Alarm Design Experience
- Sprinkler Design Experience

Mr. Huizar has worked in the capacity of Fire Prevention Specialist at the City of Calimesa and Yucaipa since 2018. Manuel has reviewed many of plans ranging from Wildland interface plans to residential, muliti-family residential, and light commercial structures, including fire suppression systems, fire alarm systems, hood and duct systems and life safety components. Manuel has had extensive design experience of fire alarm systems as well as fire sprinkler systems.

KEY QUALIFICATIONS:

- ▶ NFSA Fire Sprinkler Overhead Systems
- ▶ NFSA Fire Sprinkler Underground Systems
- ▶ NFSA Fire Sprinkler Earthquake Protection for Sprinkler Systems.
- ▶ AFFA / CAFFA Automatic Fire Detection and Fire Alarms
- ▶ AFFA / CAFFA Intermediate Fire Alarms
- ▶ Fire Alarm Planchecks for the City of Calimesa, CA
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Key qualifications:

- Currently Serving as Fire Prevention Specialist for the City of Calimesa.
- Thorough knowledge of Fire codes, regulations and construction industry standards.
- Excellent Communication Skills both English and Spanish

Thomas Marshall, CBO, MCP - Fire prevention Specialist

Certified Plans Examiner/Master Code Professional

Years of Experience

12+

Education

Clayton State University, Art Institute Atlanta

Professional Memberships

ICC, IAPMO

Certifications

KEY QUALIFICATIONS

- Certified Building Official
- Certified Fire Inspector
- Municipal Background
- Multiple Certifications
- Hands-on Construction and Building & Safety Experience

ICC Certified Building Official (#5294765)
ICC Certified Fire Inspector I
ICC Certified Residential Plumbing Inspector (#375320)
ICC Certified Accessibility Inspector/Plans Examiner (#5294765)
ICC Certified commercial Mechanical Inspector (#375320)
ICC Certified Commercial Building Inspector (#5294765)
ICC Certified Commercial Electrical Inspector (#5294765)
ICC Certified Commercial Plumbing Inspector (#5294765)
ICC Certified Plumbing Plans Examiner (#5294765)
ICC Certified Residential Building Inspector (#5294765)
ICC Certified Residential Electrical Inspector (#5294765)
ICC Certified Residential Mechanical Inspector (#5294765)
ICC Certified Residential Plumbing Inspector (#5294765)
ICC Certified Build Inspector UBC (#375320)
ICC Certified Elec Plans Examiner (#5294765)
ICC Certified Residential Energy Inspector CBC (#5294765)
ICC Certified Mech Plans Examiner #5294765)
ICC Certified Property Maintenance & Housing Inspector (#5294765)
ICC Certified Zoning Inspector (#5294765)
ICC Certified Building Plans Examiner (#5294765)
Certified Inspector for the Georgia Soil and Water Conservation Commission Level 1B & Level II

Mr. Thomas brings over 7 years of Municipal experience to this project. He is an experienced Code Official/Building Inspector/Plans Examiner/Fire Inspector and he is a certified Building Official/Master Code Professional capable of providing all the necessary administrative and technical support. He is active with ICC and is committed to the safeguard of the public and preserving quality of life for communities.

David Rodriguez, - Fire prevention Inspector

Certified Plans Examiner/Master Code Professional

Years of Experience

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Education

Fire Technology Certification Program, College of The Desert, Palm Desert CA

Certifications

CSFM Fire Inspector 1A Certification
CSFM Fire Inspector 1B Certification
CSFM Fire Inspector 1C Certification
CSFM Fire Inspector 1D Certification
CSFM Fire Inspector 2A Certification
CSFM Fire Inspector 2B Certification
CSFM Fire Inspector 2C Certification

CSFM Fire Inspector 2D Certification
CSFM Fire Fire Plans Examiner 1A
CSFM Fire Fire Plans Examiner 1B
CSFM Fire Fire Plans Examiner 1C
CSFM Hazmat First Responder
Awareness
NFSA Sprinkler System Plan Review

Mr. Rodriguez brings over 30 years of Civil Engineering Design Experience and has spent the last two years interning with the City of Calimesa Fire Prevention. He is an experienced professional capable of providing all the necessary administrative and technical support. He is active with ICC and is committed to the safeguard of the public and preserving quality of life for communities.