

**EXHIBIT 12**

**FORM OF WARRANTY BOND**

**[To be replaced with actual Warranty Bond]**

**GRAND PARKWAY PROJECT**

Bond No. \_\_\_\_\_

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation (“Obligee”), has awarded to \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_ (“Principal”), a Development Agreement for the Grand Parkway Project, duly executed and delivered as of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ (the “Contract”), on the terms and conditions set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, as a condition to Final Acceptance and release of the Performance Bond and Payment Bond, Principal is required to furnish a bond (this “Bond”) guaranteeing the faithful performance of its obligations under the Contract Documents after Final Acceptance, including payment of claims by Subcontractors and Suppliers.

NOW, THEREFORE, Principal and \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_ (“Surety”), an admitted surety insurer in the State of Texas, are held and firmly bound unto Obligee in the amount of \$78,890,000 (the “Bonded Sum”), for payment of which sum Principal and Surety jointly and severally firmly bind themselves and their successors and assigns.

THE CONDITION OF THIS BOND IS SUCH THAT, if Principal shall promptly and faithfully perform all of its obligations under the Contract Documents, as they may be amended or supplemented, including without limitation the fulfillment of all Warranties, and payment of claims by Subcontractors and Suppliers, then the obligations under this Bond shall be null and void; otherwise this Bond shall remain in full force and effect, it being expressly understood and agreed that the liability of Surety for any and all claims hereunder shall in no event exceed the Bonded Sum.

The following terms and conditions shall apply with respect to this Bond:

1. The Contract Documents are incorporated by reference herein. Capitalized terms not separately defined herein have the meanings assigned such terms in the Contract.

2. This Bond shall inure to the benefit of all Subcontractors and Suppliers with respect to the Work, other than entities having an equity interest in Principal, so as to give a right of action to such persons and their assigns in any suit brought upon this Bond.

3. The guarantees contained herein shall survive Final Acceptance.

4. Whenever Principal shall fail to pay the lawful claims of any of the persons identified in Paragraph 2 above with respect to the Work, excluding entities having an equity interest in Principal, then Surety shall pay for the same in an amount not to exceed the Bonded Sum.

5. Whenever Principal shall be, and is declared by the Obligees to be, in default with respect to its obligations under the Contract Documents, provided that the Obligees is not then in material default thereunder, Surety shall promptly take one of the following actions with the consent of the Obligees:

a. arrange for Principal to perform and complete the Contract;

b. complete the Work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract Documents then in effect, through its agents or through independent contractors;

c. obtain bids or negotiated proposals from qualified contractors acceptable to the Obligees for a contract for performance and completion of the Work (as defined in the Contract), through a procurement process approved by the Obligees, arrange for a contract to be prepared for execution by the Obligees and the contractor selected with the Obligees's concurrence, to be secured with performance and payment bonds executed by a qualified surety equivalent to the bonds issued on the Contract, and pay to the Obligees the amount of damages as described in Paragraph 7 of this Bond in excess of the unpaid balance of the Price incurred by the Obligees resulting from the Principal's default; or

d. waive its right to perform and complete, arrange for completion, or obtain a new contractor and with reasonable promptness under the circumstances, (i) after investigation, determine the amount for which it may be liable to the Obligees and, as soon as practicable after the amount is determined, tender payment therefore to the Obligees, or (ii) deny liability in whole or in part and notify the Obligees citing reasons therefore.

6. If Surety does not proceed as provided in Paragraph 5 of this Bond with reasonable promptness, Surety shall be deemed to be in default on this Bond fifteen days after receipt of an additional written notice from the Obligees to Surety demanding that Surety perform its obligations under this Bond, and the Obligees shall be entitled to enforce any remedy available to the Obligees. If Surety proceeds as provided in Subparagraph 5.d of this Bond, and the Obligees refuses the payment tendered or Surety has denied liability, in whole or in part, without further notice the Obligees shall be entitled to enforce any remedy available to the Obligees.

7. After the Obligees has terminated the Principal's right to complete the Contract, and if Surety elects to act under Subparagraph 5.a, 5.b, or 5.c above, then the responsibilities of Surety to the Obligees shall not be greater than those of the Principal under the Contract, and the responsibilities of the Obligees to Surety shall not

be greater than those of the Obligee under the Contract. To the limit of the Bonded Sum, but subject to commitment of the unpaid balance of the Price to mitigation costs and damages on the Contract, Surety is obligated without duplication for:

a. the responsibilities of the Principal for correction of defective work and completion of the Work;

b. actual damages, including additional legal, design professional and delay costs resulting from Principal's default, and resulting from the actions or failure to act of Surety under Paragraph 5 of this Bond; and

c. Liquidated Damages under the Contract.

8. No alteration, modification or supplement to the Contract Documents or the nature of the work to be performed thereunder, including without limitation any extension of time for performance, shall in any way affect the obligations of Surety under this Bond, provided that the aggregate dollar amount of TxDOT-Directed Changes, without the Sureties' prior written consent thereto having been obtained, does not increase the Price by more than \$78,890,000. Surety waives notice of any alteration, modification, supplement or extension of time other than Change Orders for TxDOT-Directed Changes in excess of such amount.

9. Correspondence or claims relating to this Bond should be sent to Surety at the following address:

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Principal and Surety have caused this Bond to be executed and delivered as of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

Principal:

\_\_\_\_\_  
By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Seal)

Surety:

\_\_\_\_\_  
By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Seal)

**[ADD APPROPRIATE SURETY ACKNOWLEDGMENTS]**

**SURETY**

\_\_\_\_\_  
or secretary attest

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name  
Title:  
Address: