

AGREEMENT MPTS PROPERTY TAX SYSTEM MAINTENANCE

THIS SUPPORT AGREEMENT, by and between the COUNTY OF TEHAMA, hereinafter referred to as the "County" and MEGABYTE SYSTEMS INC, whose mailing address is 2630 Sunset Blvd, Rocklin, California 95677, hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor" replaces the 2015 Agreement which was last amended as County Agreement No. 25-116 and has an effective date of July 1st, 2026 and terminates on June 30, 2027.

1. The County hereby engages the services of the Contractor, and the Contractor agrees to serve County in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein.
2. Work. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement, Contractor shall provide the services described in Exhibit A (the "Support Services"), attached and by this reference incorporated herein.
3. Price. In consideration of Contractor's fulfillment of the promised work, County shall pay Contractor the amount set forth in Exhibit B, attached hereto and hereby incorporated, up to the not-to-exceed amount of \$145,000 . Support to County in excess of the terms of this agreement, as deemed necessary by County, will be billable to County at Contractor's standard hourly rate subject to advance written approval of County. If on-site support is required, travel time and expenses will be charged in addition to the hourly rate for work on-site.
4. Payments. County shall make payments of compensation hereunder monthly on submittal of an invoice. Contract payments are due and payable to Megabyte Systems, Inc. 2630 Sunset Blvd, Rocklin, California 95677, within 15 working days of receipt of the invoice. Invoices shall be submitted to:

Tehama County IT
Director 444 Oak Street
Red Bluff, CA 96080
5. Audit by the California State Auditor. Contractor acknowledges that if the total compensation under this agreement is greater than \$10,000.00, this Agreement is subject to the examination and audit by the California State Auditor for a period of three (3) years, or for any longer period required by law, after final payment under this Agreement, pursuant to California Government Code 8546.7. In order to facilitate these potential examinations and audits, Contractor shall maintain, for a period of at least three (3) years, or for any longer period required by law, after final payment under the contract, all books, records and documentation necessary to demonstrate performance under this agreement.

6. Changes. Changes and modifications to this Agreement may only be made by prior written change order of County, accepted in writing by the Contractor, specifying such change(s) including adjustment(s) to price and delivery schedule (if any), as are agreed to by the parties hereto. In no case shall County pay for any extra work or material furnished except as previously agreed upon in such a written change order. The Contractor and the County shall determine whether any change or modification will cause a delay in Contractor completing all work and if so, the duration of such delay.
7. County's Responsibility. County shall comply with all requirements that apply to it under applicable laws and regulations, including laws and regulations governing intellectual property and data privacy. County will provide, at its own expense, access to Megabyte via Megabyte's network or via the Internet as long as it is at acceptable speeds (County minimum of T1 or business DSL speed). Contractor shall comply with the current County Vendor Access Management solution and use an active directory account specific to the Contractor. Under no circumstances shall Contractor install any remote access tools.
8. No Waiver by County. Inspection of the work by the County, or the statement by any officer, agent, or employee of the County, prior to written acceptance of the work or any part thereof, indicating that the work or any part thereof complies with the requirements of this Agreement, or the County's payment for the whole or any part of the work, or any combination of these acts, shall not relieve the Contractor of obligation to fulfill this Contract as prescribed. Waiver of any provision of this Agreement by the County in any single instance shall not prejudice County's right to enforcement of all provisions of this Agreement in any other instance.
9. Hold Harmless. Contractor agrees to defend, indemnify, save and hold harmless the County, its officers, agents, and employees, from and against any and all claims and losses whatsoever accruing or resulting to any and all persons, firms or corporations for damage, injury or death as a result of negligence by Contractor in Contractor's performance of this Agreement.
10. Data Protection
 - A. County hereby acknowledges and agrees that in order to provide the Support Services, County may directly or indirectly provide, or Contractor will otherwise have access to and retain, confidential, non-public information (including personally identifiable information), statistics, metrics, and other data concerning County or County's clients or constituents (collectively, "County Data"). As between County and Contractor, County owns County Data and all County Data shall remain the property of County. County hereby grants to Contractor and its affiliates and

subcontractors a right and license to use and process County Data to the extent reasonably necessary to (i) monitor, provide, administer, ensure the proper operation of, develop, improve, and modify the Support Services, (ii) develop and provide new and existing functionality and services to County and other Contractor customers, and (iii) perform Contractor's rights and obligations under this Agreement.

- B. Contractor shall not collect, retain, use, sell, or disclose County Data for any purpose (including for any commercial purpose) other than for the specific purposes set forth in this Agreement, unless otherwise required by law, and shall not use County Data for the purposes of conducting online/targeted behavioral advertising for County or any other third party. Contractor shall, at County's reasonable request, cease any unauthorized processing of County Data and grant County authorization to assess and remediate any such unauthorized processing. Except to the extent otherwise agreed to by Contractor in writing (and a statement of work, order form, or similar documentation are acceptable forms of writing), County shall not provide Contractor with any unencrypted personally identifiable information that is considered sensitive (e.g., a social security number, driver's license number, financial account data, health data) as part of the Support Services or otherwise. Any violation of this clause by County shall be considered a material breach of this Agreement and County hereby releases Contractor from, and shall not hold Contractor liable for, any loss, damages, or harm County incurs as a result of County's violation of this Section 10.
- C. Cooperation; Assistance. Contractor shall provide reasonable assistance to County to enable County to comply with its obligations and responsibilities under any applicable privacy law, including with respect to providing access to, correcting, and deleting County Data. Contractor shall promptly notify County if Contractor receives a correspondence, inquiry, complaint, request, or demand concerning Contractor's use or processing of County Data.

11. Patent or Copyright Infringement.

- A. Contractor represents that the materials and products produced hereunder do not violate others intellectual property rights (which include patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret or other proprietary right.) In the event a claim, cause of action, proceeding or other legal action should arise in which there are claims that the materials and/or products infringe or violate another's intellectual property rights, Contractor shall undertake to protect, defend, settle or resolve the proceeding at no

cost, whatsoever, to County, including, but not by way of limitation, legal fees, disbursements, judgments, or the like. Contractor shall protect, defend and indemnify and hold County harmless, subject only to County giving Contractor prompt written notice of any such third party claim, cause of action or proceedings and rendering to Contractor any reasonable information, assistance or access to documents and materials required in the defense of any such cause of action.

- B. Should the materials and/or products in Contractor's opinion, be likely or become the subject of a claim of infringement of a patent, copyright or trademark, Contractor may do any of the following: (1) obtain a legally binding right for County to use, at no cost to County, the material and/or product; (2) replace or modify the material and/or product so that it is non-infringing yet still complies with the RFP and the Contract specifications; (3) repurchase the material and/or product by refunding all moneys paid by County to Contractor for the material and/or product less depreciation and reasonable costs for use and such other amounts as are mutually agreeable to County and Contractor.
12. Title to Work. Upon termination of this agreement for any reason title to, ownership of, and all applicable patents, copyrights and trade secrets in the MPTS software, shall remain with the contractor as owner/holder of such patents, copyrights, and trade secrets, who shall retain complete rights to market such product, and no such rights shall pass to County. However, County shall receive, at no additional cost, a perpetual license to use such products for its own use.
13. Source Code. Contractor shall place source code for the licensed software and any changes thereto, into a software escrow account. County shall have access to the source code in the event Contractor fails to fulfill its maintenance and support obligations, or in the event of bankruptcy, dissolution, or appointment of a receiver for Contractor. County shall be able to use the source code according to the terms of this agreement, and must also be permitted to modify the code for its own use consistent with this agreement.
14. Insurance. Contractor shall maintain, at Contractor's own expense during the term hereof, insurance with respect to Contractor's performance of this Agreement of the types and in the minimum amounts described generally as follows:
- A. Full Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance covering all employees of Contractor as required by law in the State of California.

- B. Comprehensive Public Liability Insurance or Comprehensive Liability Insurance (Bodily Injury and Property Damage) of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) combined single limit per occurrence (claim made).
 - C. Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance (Bodily Injury and Property Damage) on owned, hired, leased and non owned vehicles used in conjunction with Contractor's business of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) combined single limit per occurrence (claim made).
 - D. Cyber Liability Insurance with not less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) and Technology Professional Liability Errors and Omissions Insurance: Appropriate to Contractor's profession and work, of not less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) per occurrence.
15. Proof of Insurance. Simultaneous with the execution of this Agreement, proof of the aforementioned insurance shall be furnished by the Contractor to the County by certificates of insurance. Such certificates shall specify that County must be given written notice 30 days prior to the cancellation or modification of any such insurance.
16. Insurance in Force and Effect During Contract Period. The insurance specified above shall be in a form and placed with an insurance company or companies satisfactory to County, and shall be kept in force and effect until completion to the satisfaction and acceptance by County of all work to be performed by the Contractor under this Agreement.
17. Confidentiality.
- A. Contractor will hold all County Data in trust and confidence, and limit access to such County Data to only those individuals who have a business need for such access and undertake reasonable steps to ensure the reliability of all individuals who have access to such County Data. Contractor shall implement and maintain commercially reasonable technical and organizational security controls to protect and safeguard County Data from unauthorized use or disclosure, which shall include written policies describing its security controls and the relevant procedures and responsibilities of Contractor personnel who have access to County Data. Contractor shall designate a senior employee to be responsible for the overall management of Contractor's information security program. Upon cancellation or expiration of this Agreement, Contractor will return to County all written and descriptive matter which contains any such County Data.

- B. Contractor shall, where legally required, notify County within 72 hours of any unauthorized access to or use of County Data when Contractor discovers the same. In such circumstances, Contractor shall provide timely information to County relating to such unauthorized access or use and promptly take reasonable steps to contain, investigate, and mitigate the same. Any action or notification taken by Contractor in accordance with this clause shall not be interpreted or construed, in any manner, as an admission of liability, wrongdoing, or fault. Contractor shall not be liable to County or any third party for damages, losses, or harm arising from any unauthorized access to or use of County Data, provided such damages, losses or harm are caused by an act or omission of County or a third party acting outside the control of Contractor, or by County's breach of this agreement.
18. Independent Contractor. Contractor shall perform this contract as an independent contractor for all purposes. Contractor is not, and shall not be deemed, a County employee for any purpose, including worker's compensation. Contractor shall, at Contractor's own risk and expense, determine the method and manner by which the duties imposed on Contractor by this contract shall be performed; provided that County may monitor the work performed by Contractor; and provided further that Contractor shall observe and comply with all laws and rules applicable to County in performing the work. Contractor, not County, shall be responsible for Contractor's negligence and that of Contractor's agents and employees in performing the work. Contractor shall be entitled to none of the benefits accorded to a County employee. County shall not deduct or withhold any amounts whatsoever from the compensation paid to Contractor, including but not limited to amounts required to be withheld for state and federal taxes. Contractor alone shall be responsible for all such payments.
19. Termination. The County or Contractor may terminate this agreement with 60 days written notice.
20. Notices. All notices provided for by this Agreement shall be in writing and may be delivered by deposit in the First-Class United States mail, by certified, or by registered mail, postage prepaid. All notices appertaining to the provisions of this Agreement, shall be addressed to Contractor's office, located at 2630 Sunset Blvd, Rocklin, California 95677. Notices to the County shall be addressed to the Tehama County IT Director. 444 Oak Street, Red Bluff, California 96080. Effective date of all notices shall permit a minimum of five (5) days for transit in the mail.
21. Dispute Resolution. In the event of any dispute, claim, question, or disagreement arising from or relating to this agreement or breach thereof, the parties shall use their best efforts

to settle the dispute, claim, question, or disagreement. To this effect, they shall consult and negotiate with each other in good faith and, recognizing their mutual interests, attempt to reach a just and equitable solution satisfactory to both parties. If they do not reach such solution within a period of 60 days, then, upon notice by either party to the other, all disputes, claims, questions, or differences shall be finally settled by arbitration. The arbitration shall be conducted by a neutral arbitrator and in accordance with California law, with the parties sharing equally the costs of arbitration. Judgement on the award rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

22. Subcontractors. County hereby acknowledges and agrees that Contractor may use affiliates and subcontractors to assist with its provision of Support Services to County, provided Contractor executes with any such affiliates and subcontractors a written agreement that contains terms and conditions that are substantially similar to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement. Contractor shall undertake all reasonable efforts to ensure that any such affiliates and subcontractors can comply, and are in compliance, with the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement. Contractor shall be responsible for the actions of its subcontractors.
23. Feedback. County may voluntarily, but is not required to, provide Contractor and/or Contractor affiliates and subcontractors with ideas, suggestions, requests, recommendations or feedback about the Contractor's business operations, products, and services ("Feedback"). In circumstances where County provides Contractor and/or Contractor affiliates and subcontractors with such Feedback, Contractor shall own all rights, title and interest, including all intellectual property rights, in and to the Feedback, including any configurations and customizations thereof. County hereby represents and warrants to Contractor that it has all rights to provide any and all such Feedback to Contractor.
24. Counterparts, Electronic Signatures – Binding. This agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which will be an original, but all of which together will constitute one instrument. Each Party of this agreement agrees to the use of electronic signatures, such as digital signatures that meet the requirements of the California Uniform Electronic Transactions Act ("CUETA") Cal. Civil Code §§ 1633.1 to 1633.17), for executing this agreement. The Parties further agree that the electronic signatures of the Parties included in this agreement are intended to authenticate this writing and to have the same force and effect as manual signatures. Electronic signature means an electronic sound, symbol, or process attached to or logically associated with an electronic record and executed or adopted by a person with the intent to sign the electronic record pursuant to the CUETA

as amended from time to time. The CUETA authorizes use of an electronic signature for transactions and contracts among Parties in California, including a government agency. Digital signature means an electronic identifier, created by computer, intended by the party using it to have the same force and effect as the use of a manual signature, and shall be reasonably relied upon by the Parties. For purposes of this section, a digital signature is a type of "electronic signature" as defined in subdivision (i) of Section 1633.2 of the Civil Code. Facsimile signatures or signatures transmitted via pdf document shall be treated as originals for all purposes.

COUNTY OF TEHAMA, a political subdivision of the
State of California

By _____

Dated: _____

CONTRACTOR: Megabyte Systems, Inc

By N. Betts
Nicholas M. Betts. President
"CONTRACTOR"

Dated: 06.23.2026

EXHIBIT A

SCOPE OF SERVICE

MPTS maintenance support services

Contractor will provide the following maintenance support services:

- Hot line phone support for County's Assessor, Tax Collector and Auditor user staff, as required, concerning the operation of the property tax system – MPTS.
- Diagnosis of application problems and suggested solutions.
- Application software corrections as needed by system failure to meet system requirements. This does NOT include any fixes for problems arising through alteration of the database by means other than Contractor personnel.
- New State mandated change to the application of property and tax assessment statutes.
- Enhancements/Upgrades to the application software at the discretion of Contractor.
- Installation/Setup of application stored procedures/triggers/database-scheduled tasks when necessary.
- MPTS application training classes:
 - Web training classes
 - Training materials will be posted on the Contractor website
 - Some sessions may be offered in house for detailed hands-on training at no cost for the session (County will be responsible for travel expenses)
- Roll turnover & roll over support to accommodate County off-hour support if desired:
 - Contractor will optionally offer (based on County needs) roll turnover/rollover of scheduled jobs leaving reports out at the County (balancing/review is the responsibility of County)
 - Contractor will review for consistency and set up – completion of jobs i.e. ascertain correctness of control records, job setup, scheduling, conflicts.
 - Backup: 2nd copy of 601 rolls and tax rolls for 12-year history retention to be held by Contractor if requested by the County. Primary backup of the 601 roll and related system backups are County responsibilities.
 - Assistance with balancing property and tax assessment programs.
 - Assistance with producing fixes (i.e. mass roll changes) to correct erroneous assessment or tax roll results, whether due to County or Contractor actions. However, County is responsible for meeting statutory requirements and proper updating of the Megabyte Systems with all current data, such as tax rates. Assistance to fix problems caused by County failure to update base assessment data will be a billable item to the County.

County will provide, at its own expense, access to Contractor via Contractor network or via the Internet as long as it is at acceptable speeds (County minimum of T1 or business DSL speed).

Contractor shall comply with the current County Vendor Access Management solution and use an active directory account specific to the Contractor. Under no circumstances shall Contractor install any remote access tools.

County must grant Contractor full administrator rights (SA).

SQL server database support services

Contractor will provide the following SQL sever database services:

- Necessary tuning/routine maintenance/notification of service pack upgrades needed. (These must be ran by County personnel on the physical machine).
- General SQL maintenance.
- Monitoring of SQL logs for errors and corrective action.
- Daily batch job monitoring and fixes/notification of failures.
- Scheduling of overnight jobs.
- Installation upgrades to SQL versions when Contractor upgrades the application software to a new version (Note: this does not include any cost associated with the purchase of SQL Server System Software – this cost is the responsibility of the County. Contractor will install it and do any necessary property system upgrades). Contractor determines the need to upgrade to a newer version of SQL.
- Rebuild database(s) if necessary due solely to SQL Server generated problems. (Exclusion: If the cause is failure by the user to detect operating system errors & take corrective action or notify Contractor, then this activity will be billable to the County).
- SQL Support services are for the primary and inquiry (aka backup server) servers only.

County shall perform the following tasks:

- Ensuring the SQL Executive and SQL Server are running and restart if necessary.
- Server printer setup and documentation.
- Monitor disk space on Windows Server.
- MPTS system backups.
- Network problems.
- Software/Hardware conflict issues.
- Install SQL Server service packs when notified to do so by Contractor.
- Install MPTS service packs when notified to do so by Contractor.

If on-site support is required travel time and expenses will be billable to County at the standard rate for Contractor.

Web Services

- Public Web Access - Assessor and Tax Collector Modules.
- Up to Seven Years View/Print Taxbill online.

Tax Collector – Tax Sale Module Maintenance and Support

- The Tax Sale Module assists in tracking defaulted properties through the sale process, producing statutory notices and recording documents. Provides after the sale tracking of excess proceeds claims.

Application Support Levels and Resolutions

Contractor shall provide timely maintenance support services according to the following escalation procedures:

"Level 1 Application Problem" means a critical application subsystem is inoperable; the County must have immediate assistance; this is a critical and highest priority problem. Megabyte shall return users of the failed application to an operational status within six (6) hours of the initial call for service.

"Level 2 System Problem" means a subsystem is not functioning correctly or its usage is restricted; however, the application is operable. The Level 2 System Problem must be resolved as soon as possible; this is a critical but lesser priority problem than a Level 1 Application Problem. Contractor shall commence diagnostic/problem resolution within twenty-four (24) hours of notification. If a Level 2 System Problem remains unresolved for more than three (3) calendar days, it shall be automatically escalated to a level 1 Application Problem status.

"Level 3 System Problem" means there is a non-serious problem that does not have a material impact on the system; or the County needs assistance in solving an in-house problem that has a minor effect on the operation of the MPTS system/application. Megabyte will schedule resolution as soon as possible; this is a non-critical and lower priority problem. Should a Level 3 System Problem remain unresolved for more than fourteen (14) calendar days, it shall be automatically escalated to a Level 2 System Problem status.

Corrections for reported problems or defects due to County's unauthorized changes to the application or client environment or to portions of the program affected by County-provided software will be the responsibility of the County.

EXHIBIT B

PAYMENT FOR SERVICES RENDERED

The monthly support cost for services described in Exhibit A – Scope of Service shall be as follows:

Term	Description	Amount
7/1/2026 – 6/30/2027	MPTS Property Tax System Maintenance/Support	\$10,066.86 per month
7/1/2026 – 6/30/2027 7/1/2026 – 6/30/2027	Public Web Assessor and Tax Collector Modules Up to Seven Years View/Print Taxbill Online	\$6,723.09 annual charge \$2,868.36 annual charge
7/1/2026 – 6/30/2027	Tax Sale Program Maintenance/Support	\$3,767.69 annual charge

Annual Adjustment of Fees

Fees shall be adjusted annually each Fiscal year in accordance with the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for the Pacific Cities and U.S. Cities Average published for the previous December of each year or a max of 5% whichever is the lessor amount.

Compensation For Extra Services

COUNTY shall compensate CONTRACTOR for requested Extra Services and reimburse CONTRACTOR for expenses incurred in connection with the provision of such Extra Services as follows:

1. Emergency off-site support outside of the hours 8 AM to 5 PM or on weekends or holidays, with a four-hour minimum:

\$150.00 per hour
2. On-site support, with a four-hour minimum, including time in transit.

\$150.00 per hour
3. Travel expenses: At actual cost in accordance with County's current travel expense policy.