

**ORDINANCE NO. 19**

**SERIES NO. 2022**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CRESTED BUTTE TOWN  
COUNCIL APPROVING THE LEASE OF A  
PORTION OF THE PROPERTY AT 308 THIRD  
STREET TO THE CORPORATION OF THE ROCKY  
MOUNTAIN BIOLOGICAL LABORATORY AT  
GOTHIC**

WHEREAS, the Town of Crested Butte, Colorado (the "Town") is a home rule municipality duly and regularly organized and now validly existing as a body corporate and politic under and by virtue of the Constitution and laws of the State of Colorado; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 31-15-713 (c), C.R.S., the Town Council may lease any real estate, together with any facilities thereon, owned by the Town when deemed by the Town Council to be in the best interest of the Town; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 31-15-713 (c), when the term of such lease is more than one year, the Town Council must approve such lease by ordinance of the Town Council; and

WHEREAS, the Town last entered into a lease with The Corporation of the Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory at Gothic ("RMBL") on September 15, 2017 for units within property owned by the Town and located within the building at 308 3<sup>rd</sup> Street; and

WHEREAS, the term of that lease expires on October 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council and RMBL wish to enter into a long-term Business Lease attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS the Town Council finds hereby that approving leases of various Town properties for use by certain entities is in the best interest of the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CRESTED BUTTE, COLORADO, THAT:

1. **Findings.** The foregoing recitals are hereby fully incorporated herein.
2. **Authorization of Town Manager.** Based on the foregoing, the Town Council hereby authorizes the Town Manager to execute a lease in substantially the same form as attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"**.

INTRODUCED, READ, AND SET FOR PUBLIC HEARING THIS 19<sup>th</sup> DAY  
OF SEPTEMBER 2022.

ADOPTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL UPON SECOND RADING IN PUBLIC  
HEARING THIS 3<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER 2022.

TOWN OF CRESTED BUTTE, COLORADO

By:   
Jason MacMillan, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST

  
Lynelle Stanford, Town Clerk

(SEAL)



## BUSINESS LEASE

THIS BUSINESS LEASE (this "Lease") is entered into this 27th day of October, 2022, with an effective date of November 1, 2022 (the "Effective Date") by and between the TOWN OF CRESTED BUTTE, COLORADO ("Landlord"), a Colorado home rule municipality and THE CORPORATION OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN BIOLOGICAL LABORATORY AT GOTHIC, a Colorado nonprofit corporation ("Tenant").

### AGREEMENT:

1. **Premises.** Landlord hereby leases to Tenant, and Tenant hereby leases from Landlord, upon and subject to the terms and conditions as set forth herein, the real property and improvements thereon, as more particularly described as follows:

308 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
First Floor units E, F & H and  
Second Floor, North Unit  
Town of Crested Butte,  
County of Gunnison,  
State of Colorado

and commonly known as 308 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Units E, F & H and North Unit as shown on Exhibit A (the "Premises").

Tenant has inspected the Premises and accepts the same in its "as is" condition.

2. **Use; Parking; Maintenance; Utilities; Signage.**

(a) Tenant may use and occupy the Premises solely for office space and related purposes in keeping with the mission of the Tenant. Any other uses shall be following Landlord's prior written consent.

(b) All parking, pedestrian and public facilities on the Premises shall be utilized as directed by Landlord and not restricted by Tenant.

(c) During the Term (as defined below), Tenant shall provide routine maintenance and care respecting the Premises, including, without limitation, regular cleaning and general cosmetic care (collectively, "Projects"). All such maintenance and care shall be performed at Tenant's sole cost and expense.

(d) Without limiting Tenant's obligation respecting such maintenance and care of the Premises, Landlord shall provide regular grounds maintenance (e.g., lawn care, snow removal) on and adjacent to the Premises. Landlord shall keep and maintain all sidewalks and drives adjacent to the Premises in a neat, clean and sanitary condition and reasonably free of litter, dirt, debris, obstructions, ice and snow. Tenant is responsible for snow removal on the small walkway and steps.

(e) Landlord shall pay the expenses for water, sewer and trash/recycling services for the Premises during the Term.

(f) Tenant shall pay for communications services used by Tenant on the Premises during the Term.

(f) All exterior signage and signage in the shared areas of the building shall be installed only upon prior approval of Landlord.

(g) Tenant shall maintain and keep in good condition and repair the interior of the improvements situate on the Premises against ordinary wear and tear. Landlord shall make reasonable structural repairs to the Premises in a reasonable amount of time following notice from Tenant of the need for such repairs.

3. **Term.**

(a) Provided that Tenant is not in default under any term or condition of this Lease, Tenant shall have and hold the Premises for a five (5) year period (the "**Term**") that shall commence on the Effective Date hereof and expire five (5) years following the commencement of the Term. Either party may terminate the Lease prior to initial term expiration with at least 90 days' notice.

(c) At the expiration or earlier termination of this Lease, Tenant shall surrender the Premises clean, in good order and condition, in the same condition and repair as Tenant initially took occupancy of the Property on the Effective Date, ordinary wear and tear excepted. Tenant shall fully repair any damage occasioned by the removal of any trade fixtures, equipment, furniture, alterations, additions and improvements. All trade fixtures, equipment, furniture, alterations, additions and improvements not so removed shall conclusively be deemed to have been abandoned by Tenant and may be appropriated, sold, stored, destroyed or otherwise disposed of by Landlord without notice to Tenant or to any other person and without obligation to account therefor. Tenant shall pay Landlord all expenses incurred in connection with Landlord's disposition of such property, including the cost of repairing any damage to any improvements or the Premises caused by such removal. Tenant's obligation to observe and perform the foregoing requirements shall survive the expiration or earlier termination this Lease.

4. **Rent; Additional Rent; Security Deposit.**

(a) Tenant shall pay Landlord \$773.00 on the Effective Date of this Lease and each month thereafter during the first year of the Term (the "**Rent**"). If the Tenant chooses, they may pay the full amount for the coming year on the Effective Date and subsequent anniversaries. Rent shall increase annually as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> anniversary (2023):           \$18,552 annually / \$1,546.00 per month  
2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary (2024):       \$27,828.00 annually / \$2,319 per month  
Rent shall stay at the 2024 rate for the remainder of the Term.

(b) Any Rent that is paid late shall accrue interest at a rate of 1.5% of such unpaid Rent per month. Rent shall be prorated for any partial month.

(c) Rent, any additional rent and any other amounts due Landlord under this Lease shall be paid at Landlord's address specified herein for notices, without prior demand and without any abatement, deduction or setoff.

(d) To secure the faithful performance by Tenant of all of Tenant's covenants, conditions, and agreements in this Lease to be observed and performed, Tenant shall deposit with Landlord a security deposit (the "**Security Deposit**") within one (1) year of execution of the Lease. Tenant's security deposit shall be \$500.00. The Landlord acknowledges that they already hold a deposit of \$500.00 at the execution of the Lease. The Security Deposit may also be used in the event of termination of the Lease by re-entry, eviction, or otherwise. The parties agree that the Security Deposit or any portion thereof, may be applied to any Event of Default (as defined below) that may exist, and/or payment of subsequent damages and costs incurred by Landlord, without prejudice to any other remedy or remedies that Landlord may have on account thereof. If Tenant shall perform all of its respective covenants and agreements in the Lease, the Security Deposit, or the portion thereof not previously applied pursuant to the provisions of the Lease, together with a statement, shall be returned to Tenant without interest, no later than sixty (60) days after the expiration of the Term, or any renewal or extension thereof (or such earlier time if required by applicable law), provided Tenant has vacated the Premises and surrendered possession thereof to Landlord.

5. **Landlord's Access.** Landlord, its agents, employees and contractors may, at their sole risk, enter the Premises at any time in response to an emergency, and at other reasonable time upon reasonable prior notice to Tenant, without limitation, (a) inspect the Premises, (b) determine whether Tenant is complying with its obligations under this Lease, (c) supply any other service that Landlord is required to provide, (d) post notices of non-responsibility or similar notices, or (e) make repairs which this Lease requires Landlord or Tenant to make. All work of Landlord shall be performed as promptly as reasonably possible and so as to cause as little interference to Tenant as reasonably possible, at all times taking into account the nature and extent of such work. Landlord shall at all times have a key with which to unlock all of the doors to the Premises (excluding Tenant's vaults, safes and similar areas designed in writing by Tenant in advance).

6. **No Alterations.** Without limiting Tenant's obligations to maintain, repair, restore and replace the Premises and any portion thereof, Tenant shall not make any alterations, additions, repairs, restorations or improvements to the Premises without at least seven (7) days' notice to Landlord and Landlord's written consent. All improvements made by Tenant which are so attached to the Premises that they cannot be removed without material injury to the Premises shall become the property of Landlord upon installation.

7. **Compliance with Laws.**

(a) Tenant shall not use or occupy, or permit any portion of the Premises to be used or occupied in violation of any law, ordinance, order, rule, regulation, certificate of occupancy or other governmental requirement.

(b) Tenant and the Premises shall remain in compliance with all applicable laws, ordinances and regulations (including consent decrees and administrative orders) relating to public health and safety and protection of the environment, including those statutes, laws, regulations and ordinances, all as amended and modified from time to time.

8. **No Unsightliness.** Tenant covenants and agrees that no unsightliness shall be permitted on the Premises. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, no vehicles, machinery, equipment, tools, refuse, scrap, debris, garbage, trash, bulk materials, used vehicle parts or waste shall be kept, stored or allowed to accumulate on the Premises at any time. The Tenant shall have the right to tow vehicles from the Premises and place signage on the Premises to enforce the above provisions.

9. **Insurance.**

(a) At its sole expense, Tenant shall obtain and keep in force during the Term commercial general liability insurance with a combined single limit of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) for injury to or death of any one person, for injury to or death of any number of persons in one occurrence, and for damage to property, insuring against any and all liability of Landlord and Tenant, including coverage for contractual liability, broad form property damage, and non-owned automobile liability, with respect to the Premises or arising out of the maintenance, use or occupancy of the Premises. The insurance shall be noncontributing with any insurance that may be carried by Landlord and shall contain a provision that Landlord, although named as an insured, shall nevertheless be entitled to recover under the policy for any loss, injury, or damage to Landlord, its agents, and employees, or the property of such persons.

(b) Upon receipt of written notification from the Town, at Tenant's sole expense, Tenant shall obtain and keep in force, during the Term, "all-risk" coverage naming Landlord and Tenant as their interests may appear and other parties that Landlord or Tenant may designate as additional insureds in the customary form for buildings and improvements of similar character, on all buildings and improvements now or hereinafter located on the Premises. Such coverage shall include, without limitation, the historic replacement value of the Premises building structure. The amount of the insurance shall be designated by Landlord no more frequently than once every twelve (12) months, shall be set forth on an "agreed amount endorsement" to the policy of insurance and shall not be less than the value of the buildings and improvements.

(c) All insurance required in this Section and all renewals of it shall be issued by companies authorized to transact business in the State of Colorado, and rated at least A+ Class X by Best's Insurance Reports (property liability) or approved by Landlord. All insurance policies shall be subject to approval by Landlord and any lender as to form and substance, said approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed; shall expressly provide that the policies shall not be canceled or altered without thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Landlord and any

lender, and to Landlord in the case of general liability insurance; and shall, to the extent obtainable without additional premium expense, provide that no act or omission of Tenant which would otherwise result in forfeiture or reduction of the insurance shall affect or limit the obligation of the insurance company to pay the amount of any loss sustained. Tenant may satisfy its obligation under this Section by appropriate endorsements of its blanket insurance policies.

(d) All policies of liability insurance that Tenant is obligated to maintain according to this Lease (other than any policy of workmen's compensation insurance) shall name Landlord and such other persons or firms as Landlord specifies from time to time as additional insureds provided such other persons have an insurable interest and does not result in any additional premium expenses. Original or copies of original policies (together with copies of the endorsements naming Landlord, and any others specified by Landlord, as additional insureds) and evidence of the payment of all premiums of such policies shall be made available to Landlord prior to Tenant's occupancy of the Premises and from time to time at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the term of each policy. All public liability, property damage liability, and casualty policies maintained by Tenant shall be written as primary policies, not contributing with and not in excess of coverage that Landlord may carry. No insurance required to be maintained by Tenant by this Section shall be subject to any deductible in excess of \$20,000.00 without Landlord's prior written consent.

(e) Landlord and Tenant waive all rights to recover against each other, or against the officers, elected officials, directors, shareholders, members, partners, joint venturers, employees, agents, customers, invitees, or business visitors of each of theirs, for any loss or damage arising from any cause covered by any insurance required to be carried by each of them pursuant to this Section or any other insurance actually carried by each of them. Tenant shall cause its insurer to issue an appropriate waiver of subrogation rights endorsements to all policies of insurance carried in connection with the Premises and any personal property located on the same. Tenant shall cause all other occupants of the Premises claiming by, under, or through Tenant to execute and deliver to Landlord a waiver of claims similar to the waiver in this Section and to obtain such waiver of subrogation rights endorsements.

10. **Indemnification; Tenant Waiver and Release.**

(a) Tenant shall indemnify Landlord, its elected officials, officers, employees, agents, contractor, attorneys, insurers and insurance pools (collectively, the "**Landlord Parties**"; as applicable, each an "**Indemnatee**") against, and hold each Indemnatee harmless from, any and all demands, claims, causes of action, fines, penalties, damages (including consequential damages), losses, liabilities, judgments, and expenses (including attorneys' fees and court costs) incurred in connection with or arising from: (i) the use or occupancy of the Premises by Tenant or any person or entity claiming under Tenant, the employees, agents, contractors, guests, invitees or visitors of Tenant or any person or entity (each, a "**Tenant Related Person**"); (ii) any activity, work, or thing done or permitted or suffered by a Tenant Related Person in or about the Premises; (iii) any acts, omissions, or negligence of any Tenant Related Person; (iv) any breach, violation, or nonperformance by any Tenant Related Person of any term, covenant, or provision of this Lease or any law, ordinance or governmental requirement of any kind; or (v) except for loss of use of all or any portion of the Premises or Tenant's property located within the Premises

that is proximately caused by or results proximately from the gross negligence of Landlord, any injury or damage to the person, property or business of a Tenant Related Person entering upon the Premises under the express or implied invitation of Tenant. If any action or proceeding is brought against an Indemnitee by reason of any claim solely arising out of subparagraphs (i) through (v) above, upon notice from Landlord, Tenant shall defend the claim at Tenant's expense with counsel reasonably satisfactory to Landlord.

(b) Tenant waives and releases all claims against Indemnitees with respect to any loss, injury, death, or damage (including consequential damages) to persons, property, or Tenant's business occasioned by, without limitation, theft; act of God; public enemy; injunction; riot; strike; insurrection; war; court order; requisition; order of governmental body or authority; fire; explosion; falling objects; steam, water, rain or snow; leak or flow of water (including water from the elevator system), rain or snow from the Premises or into the Premises or from the roof, street, subsurface, or from any other place, or by dampness, or from the breakage, leakage, obstruction, or other defects of the pipes, sprinklers, wires, appliances, plumbing, air conditioning, or lighting fixtures of the building; or from construction, repair, or alteration of the Premises or from any acts or omissions of any visitor of the Premises; or from any cause beyond Landlord's control. The Tenant is not obligated to indemnify the Landlord or to waive claims caused by the Landlord's negligence or willful misconduct.

#### 11. Default Provisions.

(a) If Tenant fails to perform any of its obligations under this Lease, then Landlord, after ten (10) days' written notice to Tenant (or, in case of any emergency, upon notice or without notice as may be reasonable under the circumstances) and without waiving any of its rights under this Lease, may (but shall not be required to) pay the amount or perform the obligation. All amounts so paid by Landlord and all costs and expenses incurred by Landlord in connection with the performance of any obligations (together with interest at the prime rate from the date of Landlord's payment of the amount or incurring of each cost or expense until the date of full repayment by Tenant) shall be payable by Tenant to Landlord on demand and as additional rent. In the proof of any damages that Landlord may claim against Tenant arising out of Tenant's failure to maintain insurance that is required by terms of this Lease, Landlord shall not be limited to the amount of the unpaid insurance premium but shall also be entitled to recover as damages for the breach the amount of any uninsured loss (to the extent of any deficiency in the insurance required by the provisions of this Lease), damages, costs and expenses of suit, including attorneys' fees, arising out of damage to, or destruction of, the Premises occurring during any period for which Tenant has failed to provide the insurance.

(b) The following occurrences are "Events of Default": (i) Tenant defaults in the due and punctual payment of rent or any other amount due under this Lease, and the default continues for five (5) days after notice from Landlord; (ii) Tenant defaults in the performance of any other obligation under this Lease that is not cured after ten (10) days' written notice to Tenant (or, in case of any emergency, upon notice or without notice as may be reasonable under the circumstances); or (iii) Tenant vacates or abandons the Premises.



(c) If any one or more Events of Default occurs, then Landlord may, at its election, give Tenant written notice of its intention to terminate this Lease on the date of the notice or on any later date specified in the notice, and, on the date specified in the notice, Tenant's right to possession of the Premises shall cease and this Lease shall be terminated. In addition, landlord shall have all other rights available at law and in equity, including, without limitation, recovery of actual damages, costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees. All remedies may be cumulatively and concurrently applied and enforced.

12. **Assignment.** Tenant may not assign this Lease, or sublet the Premises, in whole or in part, without Landlord's prior written consent.

13. **Notices.** All notices, demands, and requests required to be given by either party to the other shall be in writing, and with a copy given to counsel for each such party as provided below. All notices, demands, and requests shall be delivered personally or sent by electronic mail (e-mail), nationally recognized overnight courier, certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, or via facsimile, addressed to the parties at the addresses set forth below or at such other addresses as the parties may designate in writing delivered pursuant to the provisions hereof. Any notice when given as provided herein shall be deemed to have been delivered on the day of delivery if delivered personally, on the first business day following the confirmation of sending of an e-mail when sent by electronic mail, on the first business day following deposit with the courier service when delivered by overnight courier, three business (3) days subsequent to the date that said notice was deposited with the United States Postal Service, or on the first business day following the date of confirmation of receipt when delivered by facsimile.

To Landlord:           Town of Crested Butte  
P.O. Box 39  
507 Maroon Avenue  
Crested Butte, CO 81224  
Facsimile: (970) 349-6626  
Attn: Town Manager

To Tenant:             Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory  
P.O. Box 519  
Crested Butte, CO 81224  
Attn: Executive Director

14. **No Waiver.** No waiver of any condition or agreement in this Lease by either Landlord or Tenant shall imply or constitute a further waiver by such party of the same or any other condition or agreement.

15. **Attorneys' Fees.** In case a dispute between the parties shall arise in connection with this Lease, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover and shall be awarded (in addition to other relief granted) all reasonable attorneys' fees and costs in connection with such dispute from the non-prevailing party.

16. **Severability**. If any sentence, paragraph or article of this Lease is held to be illegal or invalid, this shall not affect in any manner those other portions of the Lease not illegal or invalid and this Lease shall continue in full force and effect as to those remaining provisions.

17. **Successors and Assigns**. The conditions and provisions hereof shall inure to the benefit of, and shall be binding upon, Landlord, Tenant and their respective personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns.

18. **Obligation to Report**. Tenant shall report any material damage to the Premises or disturbances therein or thereon to Landlord as soon as it becomes aware of any such damages or disturbances.

19. **Miscellaneous Provisions**.

(a) Each party represents and warrants that it has obtained any and all approvals necessary to enter into and perform the obligations contained in this Lease, if any.

(b) This Lease shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Colorado.

(c) This Lease is entered into at Crested Butte, Colorado, and it is agreed that the proper jurisdiction and venue of any action pertaining to the interpretation or enforcement of this Lease will be in the District Court of Gunnison County, Colorado.

(d) This Lease may be executed in multiple counterparts each of which shall constitute an original, and both of which when taken together shall constitute one and the same document. The parties hereby agree to accept facsimile or electronic copies of signatures as original signatures

(e) A recordation of this Lease or any record thereof, or the recordation of any encumbrance against the Premises and/or the Improvements by any person, including, without limitation, any mortgagee of Tenant, except Landlord and any mortgagee of Landlord, shall be void *ab initio* and a default under this Lease.

(f) This Lease constitutes the entire and exclusive agreement between the parties relating to the specific matters covered herein. Any other agreements between the parties, whether written or oral are hereby merged herein and of no further force and effect.

(g) Unless otherwise provided in the Lease, the Lease may be amended, modified, or terminated only by a written instrument executed by Landlord and Tenant.

[Remainder of Page Intentionally Left Blank;  
Signature Page(s) to Follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Landlord and Tenant have executed Lease by their duly authorized officials effective as of the Effective Date first written above.

LANDLORD:

TOWN OF CRESTED BUTTE, COLORADO

By:   
Dara MacDonald, Town Manager

ATTEST:


  
Lynelle Stanford, Town Clerk

[Seal]



TENANT:

THE CORPORATION OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN BIOLOGICAL LABORATORY AT GOTHIC, a Colorado nonprofit corporation

By:   
Name: kelly Sudderth  
Title: chief operating officer

**EXHIBIT A**  
Map of Premises

**EXHIBIT A**  
Map of Premises



