

AGREEMENT FOR MAINTENANCE SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT FOR MAINTENANCE SERVICES is made and effective as of the 22nd of January 2020, by and between the CITY OF BEAUMONT (“CITY”) whose address is 550 E. 6th Street, Beaumont, California 92223 and West Coast Arborists, Inc., a California corporation whose address is 21718 Walnut Avenue, Grand Terrace, CA 92313 (“CONTRACTOR”).

RECITALS

A. CONTRACTOR submitted a proposal (“Proposal”) in response to a request for proposals (“RFP”) from the CITY dated December 12, 2019 and attached hereto as Exhibit “A” to provide certain services, and made a part hereof by this reference; and

B. CITY desires to engage CONTRACTOR to provide the services provided for in the Proposal; and

AGREEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing Recitals and mutual covenants contained herein, CITY and CONTRACTOR agree as follows:

1. Term of Agreement; Maximum Annual Amount. This Agreement is effective as of the date first above written and shall continue for a term of three years covering the services (“Services”) provided for in the Proposal. The term of this Agreement may be extended by the City Council for up to two additional terms of one year each at the sole and absolute discretion of the City Council as evidenced by a written amendment to this Agreement executed by the Community Services Director. Contractor shall commence the Services on or before February 1, 2020. Notwithstanding the forgoing, City may terminate this Agreement upon written notice to Contractor, provided it pays Contractor for all services provided prior to termination. In the event that the Proposal contains terms that are in different or in addition to those provided for in the RFP and that purport to be binding on the City, such terms and conditions shall be of no force or effect.

1.1 Written Approvals for Work. Prior to rendering any Services under this Agreement, Contractor must receive the written and signed approval from the Community Services Director identifying with particularity the scope of services including but not limited to the number of trees to be trimmed and the estimated cost of such Services which shall not extend for a period of time for longer than thirty days. For the sake of clarity, Contractor shall not provide any Services and shall not be entitled to compensation hereunder for any Services that are not specifically identified in a written approval duly executed by the Community Services Director as provided in this section.

2. Associates and Subcontractors. CONTRACTOR may, at CONTRACTOR’s sole cost and expense, employ such competent and qualified independent associates, subcontractors and consultants as CONTRACTOR deems necessary to perform the Services; provided, however, that CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract any of the Services without the written consent of

CITY.

3. Compensation.

3.01 CONTRACTOR shall be paid at the rates set forth in the Proposal. Compensation. The compensation for Services under this Agreement shall be as provided in the Proposal and Section 1.1, not to exceed the sum budgeted by City for such services in the amount of \$100,000 in any one year period without the advanced approval of the City Council.

4. Obligations of CONTRACTOR.

4.01 In the event that the terms of the Proposal shall conflict with the terms of this Agreement, or contain additional terms other than the Services to be rendered and the price for the Services, the terms of this Agreement shall govern and said additional or conflicting terms shall be of no force or effect.

4.02 CONTRACTOR is responsible for paying, when due, all income and other taxes, fees and withholding, including withholding state and federal taxes, social security, unemployment and worker's compensation, incurred as a result of the compensation paid under this Agreement. CONTRACTOR agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless CITY for any claims, costs, losses, fees, penalties, interest, or damages suffered by CITY resulting from CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with this provision.

4.03 CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible for obtaining Employment Eligibility Verification information from CONTRACTOR's employees, in compliance with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, Pub. L. 99-603 (8 U.S.C. 1324a), and shall ensure that CONTRACTOR's employees are eligible to work in the United States.

4.04 Drug-free Workplace Certification. By signing this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR hereby certifies under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the CONTRACTOR will comply with the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990 (Government Code, Section 8350 et seq.) and will provide a drug-free workplace.

4.05 CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable local, state and federal laws, rules, regulations, entitlements and/or permits applicable to, or governing the Services authorized hereunder.

4.06 Contractor shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations relating to prevailing wages. Wage rates for this Project shall be in accordance with the "General Wage Determination Made by the Director of Industrial Relations Pursuant To California Labor Code, Part 7, Chapter 1, Article 2, Sections 1770, 1773 and 1773.1", for Riverside County.

5. Insurance. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to be solely responsible for the health and safety of its employees and agents in performing the Services under this Agreement and shall comply with all laws applicable to worker safety including but not limited to Cal-OSHA. Attached hereto as Exhibit "B" are copies of Certificates of Insurance and endorsements as required by

Section 6.02. Therefore, throughout the duration of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR hereby covenants and agrees to maintain insurance in conformance with the requirements set forth below. If existing coverage does not meet the requirements set forth herein, CONTRACTOR agrees to amend, supplement or endorse the existing coverage to do so. CONTRACTOR shall provide the following types and amounts of insurance:

5.01 Commercial general liability insurance in an amount of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate; CONTRACTOR agrees to have its insurer endorse the general liability coverage required herein to include as additional insured's CITY, its officials, employees and agents. CONTRACTOR also agrees to require all contractors and subcontractors to provide the same coverage required under this Section 6.

5.02 Business Auto Coverage in an amount no less than \$1 million per accident. If CONTRACTOR or CONTRACTOR's employees will use personal autos in performance of the Services hereunder, CONTRACTOR shall provide evidence of personal auto liability coverage for each such person.

5.03 Workers' Compensation coverage for any of CONTRACTOR's employees that will be providing any Services hereunder. CONTRACTOR will have a state-approved policy form providing statutory benefits as required by California law. The provisions of any workers' compensation will not limit the obligations of CONTRACTOR under this Agreement. CONTRACTOR expressly agrees not to use any statutory immunity defenses under such laws with respect to CITY, its employees, officials and agents.

6. General Conditions Pertaining to Insurance Coverage

6.01 No liability insurance coverage provided shall prohibit CONTRACTOR from waiving the right of subrogation prior to a loss. CONTRACTOR waives all rights of subrogation against CITY regardless of the applicability of insurance proceeds and shall require all contractors and subcontractors to do likewise.

6.02. Prior to beginning the Services under this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall furnish CITY with certificates of insurance, endorsements, and upon request, complete copies of all policies, including complete copies of all endorsements. All copies of policies and endorsements shall show the signature of a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf.

6.03. All required policies shall be issued by a highly rated insurer with a minimum A.M. Best rating of "A:VII"). The insurer(s) shall be admitted and licensed to do business in California. The certificates of insurance hereunder shall state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled by either party, or reduced in coverage or in limits, except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice has been given to CITY.

6.04 Self-insurance does not comply with these insurance specifications. CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that that all insurance coverage required to be provided by CONTRACTOR or any subcontractor, shall apply first and on a primary, non-contributing basis

in relation to any other insurance, indemnity or self-insurance available to CITY.

7. Indemnification.

7.01 CONTRACTOR and CITY agree that CITY, its employees, agents and officials should, to the extent permitted by law, be fully protected from any loss, injury, damage, claim, lawsuit, cost, expense, attorneys' fees, litigation costs, defense costs, court costs or any other costs arising out of or in any way related to the performance of this Agreement by CONTRACTOR or any subcontractor or agent of either. Accordingly, the provisions of this indemnity are intended by the parties to be interpreted and construed to provide the fullest protection possible under the law to CITY. CONTRACTOR acknowledges that CITY would not enter into this Agreement in the absence of the commitment of CONTRACTOR to indemnify and protect CITY as set forth herein.

a. To the fullest extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless CITY, its employees, agents and officials, from any liability, claims, suits, actions, arbitration proceedings, administrative proceedings, regulatory proceedings, losses, expenses, damages or costs of any kind, whether actual, alleged or threatened, actual attorneys' fees incurred by CITY, court costs, interest, defense costs, including expert witness fees and any other costs or expenses of any kind whatsoever without restriction or limitation incurred in relation to, as a consequence of or arising out of or in any way attributable actually, allegedly or impliedly, in whole or in part to the performance of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR's obligation to defend, indemnify and hold harmless shall include any and all claims, suits and proceedings in which CONTRACTOR (and/or CONTRACTOR's agents and/or employees) is alleged to be an employee of CITY. All obligations under this provision are to be paid by CONTRACTOR as they are incurred by CITY.

b. Without affecting the rights of CITY under any provision of this Agreement or this Section, CONTRACTOR shall not be required to indemnify and hold harmless CITY as set forth above for liability attributable solely to the fault of CITY, provided such fault is determined by agreement between the parties or the findings of a court of competent jurisdiction.

8. Status of CONTRACTOR.

8.01 CONTRACTOR shall perform the Services in CONTRACTOR's own way as an independent contractor, and in pursuit of CONTRACTOR's independent calling, and not as an employee of CITY. However, CONTRACTOR shall regularly confer with CITY's City Manager as provided for in this Agreement.

8.02 CONTRACTOR agrees that it is not entitled to the rights and benefits afforded to CITY's employees, including disability or unemployment insurance, workers' compensation, retirement, CalPers, medical insurance, sick leave, or any other employment benefit. CONTRACTOR is responsible for providing, at its own expense, disability,

unemployment, workers' compensation and other insurance, training, permits, and licenses for itself and its employees and subcontractors.

8.03 CONTRACTOR hereby specifically represents and warrants to CITY that it possesses the qualifications and skills necessary to perform the Services under this Agreement in a competent, professional manner, without the advice or direction of CITY and that the Services to be rendered pursuant to this Agreement shall be performed in accordance with the standards customarily applicable to an experienced and competent professional rendering the same or similar services in the same geographic area where the CITY is located. Further, CONTRACTOR represents and warrants that the individual signing this Agreement on behalf of CONTRACTOR has the full authority to bind CONTRACTOR to this Agreement.

9. Miscellaneous Provisions.

9.01 This Agreement, which includes all attached exhibits, supersedes any and all previous agreements, either oral or written, between the parties hereto with respect to the rendering of Services by CONTRACTOR for CITY and contains all of the covenants and agreements between the parties with respect to the rendering of such Services in any manner whatsoever. Any modification of this Agreement will be effective only if it is in writing signed by both parties. The Recitals to this Agreement are hereby incorporated herein by this reference.

9.02 CONTRACTOR shall not assign or otherwise transfer any rights or interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of CITY. Unless specifically stated to the contrary in any written consent to an assignment, no assignment will release or discharge the assignor from any duty or responsibility under this Agreement.

9.03 If any legal action or proceeding, including an action for declaratory relief, is brought to enforce or interpret the provisions of this Agreement, the prevailing party will be entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, in addition to any other relief to which that party may be entitled.

9.04 This Agreement is made, entered into and shall be performed in the County of Riverside in the State of California and shall in all respects be interpreted, enforced and governed under the laws of the State of California.

9.05 CONTRACTOR covenants that neither it nor any officer or principal of its firm has any interest, nor shall they acquire any interest, either directly or indirectly, which will conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of their Services hereunder. CONTRACTOR further covenants that in the performance of this Agreement, no person having such interest shall be employed by it as an officer, employee, agent, or subcontractor.

9.06 Improper Consideration. CONTRACTOR shall not offer (either directly or through an intermediary) any improper consideration such as, but not limited to, cash, discounts, services, the provision of travel or entertainment, or any items of value to any officer, employee or agent of the CITY in an attempt to secure favorable treatment regarding this Agreement or any contract awarded by CITY. The CITY, by notice, may immediately terminate this Agreement if it

determines that any improper consideration as described in the preceding sentence was offered to any officer, employee or agent of the CITY with respect to the proposal and award process of this Agreement or any CITY contract. This prohibition shall apply to any amendment, extension or evaluation process once this Agreement or any CITY contract has been awarded. CONTRACTOR shall immediately report any attempt by any CITY officer, employee or agent to solicit (either directly or through an intermediary) improper consideration from CONTRACTOR.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereby have made and executed this Agreement to be effective as of the day and year first above-written.

CITY:

CITY OF BEAUMONT

By: _____
Rey Santos, Mayor

Date: _____

CONTRACTOR:

By: _____

Print Name:

Title:

Date: _____

EXHIBIT "A"

PROPOSAL
(insert behind this page)

EXHIBIT “B”

CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE AND ENDORSEMENTS
(insert behind this page)

Will be provided by West Coast Arborists, Inc. upon City Council approval