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CITY OF FAIR OAKS RANCH CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
 §
KENDALL COUNTY §

This Construction Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered by and between the City of Fair Oaks Ranch, Texas, (the "City") a Texas municipality, and JCM Commercial Services LLC ("Contractor").

Section 1. Duration. This Agreement shall become effective upon the date of the final signature affixed hereto and shall remain in effect until satisfactory completion of the Scope of Work unless terminated as provided for in this Agreement.

Section 2. Scope of Work.

(A) Contractor shall perform the Work as more particularly described in the Scope of Work attached hereto as Exhibit "A". The work as described in the Scope of Work constitutes the "Project".

(B) The Quality of Work provided under this Agreement shall be of the level of quality performed by Contractors regularly rendering this type of service.

(C) The Contractor shall perform its Work for the Project in compliance with all statutory, regulatory and contractual requirements now or hereafter in effect as may be applicable to the rights and obligations set forth in the Agreement.

(D) The Contractor may rely upon the accuracy of reports and surveys provided to it by the City except when defects should have been apparent to a reasonably competent Contractor or when it has actual notice of any defects in the reports and surveys.

Section 3. Compensation.

(A) The Contractor shall be paid in the manner set forth in Exhibit "A" and as provided herein.

(B) *Billing Period:* The Contractor may submit monthly, or less frequently, an invoice for payment based on the estimated completion of the described tasks and approved work schedule. Subject to Chapter 2251, Texas Government Code (the "Prompt Payment Act"), payment is due within thirty (30) days of the City's receipt of the Contractor's invoice. Interest on overdue payments shall be calculated in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act.

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(C) *Reimbursable Expenses:* Any and all reimbursable expenses related to the Project shall be included in the scope of Work (Exhibit A) and accounted for in the total contract amount.

Section 4. Time of Completion.

The prompt completion of the Work under the Scope of Work relates is critical to the City. Unnecessary delays in providing Work under a Scope of Work shall be grounds for dismissal of the Contractor and termination of this Agreement without any or further liability to the City other than a prorated payment for necessary, timely, and conforming work done by Contractor prior to the time of termination. The Project shall be completed for inspection and acceptance by the City on or before September 30, 2025.

Section 5. Insurance.

Before commencing work under this Agreement, Contractor shall obtain and maintain the liability insurance provided for below throughout the term of the Project plus an additional two years. Contractor shall provide evidence of such insurance to the City. Such documentation shall meet the requirements noted in Exhibit B.

Contractor shall maintain the following limits and types of insurance:

Workers Compensation Insurance: Contractor shall carry and maintain during the term of this Agreement, workers compensation and employers' liability insurance meeting the requirements of the State of Texas on all the Contractor's employees carrying out the work involved in this contract.

General Liability Insurance: Contractor shall carry and maintain during the term of this Agreement, general liability insurance on a per occurrence basis with limits of liability not less than \$1,000,000 for each occurrence and for fire damage. For Bodily Injury and Property Damage, coverage shall be no less than \$1,000,000. As a minimum, coverage for Premises, Operations, Products and Completed Operations shall be \$2,000,000. This coverage shall protect the public or any person from injury or property damages sustained by reason of the Contractor or its employees carrying out the work involved in this Agreement. The general aggregate shall be no less than \$2,000,000.

Automobile Liability Insurance: Contractor shall carry and maintain during the term of this Agreement, automobile liability insurance with either a combined limit of at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage or split limits of at least \$1,000,000 for bodily injury per person per occurrence and \$1,000,000 for property damage per occurrence. Coverage shall include all owned, hired, and non-owned motor vehicles used in the performance of this contract by the Contractor or its employees.

Subcontractor: In the case of any work sublet, the Contractor shall require subcontractor and independent contractors working under the direction of either the Contractor or a

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subcontractor to carry and maintain the same workers compensation and liability insurance required of the Contractor.

Qualifying Insurance: The insurance required by this Agreement shall be written by non-assessable insurance company licensed to do business in the State of Texas and currently rated "B+" or better by the A.M. Best Companies. All policies shall be written on a "per occurrence basis" and not a "claims made" form.

Evidence of such insurance shall be attached as Exhibit "C".

Section 6. Miscellaneous Provisions.

(A) *Subletting.* The Contractor shall not sublet or transfer any portion of the work under this Agreement, or any Scope of Work issued pursuant to this Agreement unless specifically approved in writing by the City, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. Subcontractors shall comply with all provisions of this Agreement and the applicable Scope of Work. The approval or acquiescence of the City in the subletting of any work shall not relieve the Contractor of any responsibility for work done by such subcontractor.

(B) *Compliance with Laws.* The Contractor shall comply with all federal, state and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations, and the orders and decrees of any courts, administrative, or regulatory bodies in any matter affecting the performance of this Agreement, including, without limitation, worker's compensation laws, minimum and maximum salary and wage statutes and regulations, and licensing laws and regulations. When required, the Contractor shall furnish the City with satisfactory proof of compliance.

(C) *Independent Contractor.* Contractor acknowledges that Contractor is an independent contractor of the City and is not an employee, agent, official or representative of the City. Contractor shall not represent, either expressly or through implication, that Contractor is an employee, agent, official or representative of the City. Income taxes, self-employment taxes, social security taxes and the like are the sole responsibility of the Contractor.

(D) *Non-Collusion.* Contractor represents and warrants that Contractor has not given, made, promised or paid, nor offered to give, make, promise or pay any gift, bonus, commission, money or other consideration to any person as an inducement to or in order to obtain the work to be provided to the City under this Agreement. Contractor further agrees that Contractor shall not accept any gift, bonus, commission, money, or other consideration from any person (other than from the City pursuant to this Agreement) for any of the Work performed by Contractor under or related to this Agreement. If any such gift, bonus, commission, money, or other consideration is received by or offered to Contractor, Contractor shall immediately report that fact to the City and, at the sole option of the City, the City may elect to accept the consideration for itself or to take the value of such consideration as a credit against the compensation otherwise owing to Contractor under or pursuant to this Agreement.

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(E) *Force Majeure*. If the performance of any covenant or obligation to be performed hereunder by any party is delayed as a result of circumstances which are beyond the reasonable control of such party (which circumstances may include, without limitation, pending litigation, acts of God, war, acts of civil disobedience, fire or other casualty, shortage of materials, adverse weather conditions [such as, by way of illustration and not of limitation, severe rain storms or below freezing temperatures, or tornados] labor action, strikes or similar acts, moratoriums or regulations or actions by governmental authorities), the time for such performance shall be extended by the amount of time of such delay, but no longer than the amount of time reasonably occasioned by the delay. The party claiming delay of performance as a result of any of the foregoing force majeure events shall deliver written notice of the commencement of any such delay resulting from such force majeure event not later than seven (7) days after the claiming party becomes aware of the same, and if the claiming party fails to so notify the other party of the occurrence of a force majeure event causing such delay and the other party shall not otherwise be aware of such force majeure event, the claiming party shall not be entitled to avail itself of the provisions for the extension of performance contained in this subsection.

(F) In the case of any conflicts between the terms of this Agreement and wording contained within the Scope of Work, this Agreement shall govern. The Scope of Work is intended to detail the technical scope of Work, fee schedule, and contract time only and shall not dictate Agreement terms.

Section 7. Termination.

(A) This Agreement may be terminated:

- (1) By the mutual agreement and consent of both Contractor and City;
- (2) By either party, upon the failure of the other party to fulfill its obligations as set forth in either this Agreement or a Scope of Work issued under this Agreement;
- (3) By the City, immediately upon notice in writing to the Contractor, as consequence of the failure of Contractor to perform the Work contemplated by this Agreement in a timely or satisfactory manner;
- (4) By the City, at will and without cause upon not less than thirty (30) days written notice to the Contractor.

(B) If the City terminates this Agreement pursuant to subsection 7(A)(2) or (3), above, the Contractor shall not be entitled to any fees or reimbursable expenses other than the fees and reimbursable expenses then due and payable as of the time of termination and only then for those Work that have been timely and adequately performed by the Contractor considering the actual costs incurred by the Contractor in performing work to date of termination, the value of the work that is nonetheless usable to the City, the cost to the City of employing another Contractor to complete the work required and the time required to do so, and other factors that affect the value to the City of the work performed

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at time of termination. In the event of termination not the fault of the Contractor, the Contractor shall be compensated for all basic, special, and additional Work actually performed prior to termination, together with any reimbursable expenses then due.

Section 8. Indemnification. Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold the City of Fair Oaks Ranch, Texas and all of its present, future and former agents, employees, officials and representatives harmless in their official, individual and representative capacities from any and all claims, demands, causes of action, judgments, liens and expenses (including attorney's fees, whether contractual or statutory), costs and damages (whether common law or statutory), costs and damages (whether common law or statutory, and whether actual, punitive, consequential or incidental), of any conceivable character, for injuries to persons (including death) or to property (both real and personal) created by, arising from or in any manner relating to the Work or goods performed or provided by Contractor – expressly including those arising through strict liability or under the constitutions of the United States.

Section 9. Notices. Any notice required or desired to be given from one party to the other party to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be given and shall be deemed to have been served and received (whether actually received or not) if (i) delivered in person to the address set forth below; (ii) deposited in an official depository under the regular care and custody of the United States Postal Service located within the confines of the United States of America and sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, and addressed to such party at the address hereinafter specified; or (iii) delivered to such party by courier receipted delivery. Either party may designate another address within the confines of the continental United States of America for notice, but until written notice of such change is actually received by the other party, the last address of such party designated for notice shall remain such party's address for notice.

Section 10. No Assignment. Neither party shall have the right to assign that party's interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party.

Section 11. Severability. If any term or provision of this Agreement is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable, the legality, validity or enforceability of the remaining terms or provisions of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby, and in lieu of each such illegal, invalid or unenforceable term or provision, there shall be added automatically to this Agreement a legal, valid or enforceable term or provision as similar as possible to the term or provision declared illegal, invalid or unenforceable.

Section 12. Waiver. Either City or the Contractor shall have the right to waive any requirement contained in this Agreement that is intended for the waiving party's benefit, but, except as otherwise provided herein, such waiver shall be effective only if in writing executed by the party for whose benefit such requirement is intended. No waiver of any breach or violation of any term of this Agreement shall be deemed or construed to constitute a waiver of any other breach or violation, whether concurrent or subsequent, and whether of the same or of a different type of breach or violation.

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Section 13. Governing Law; Venue. This Agreement and all of the transactions contemplated herein shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas. The provisions and obligations of this Agreement are performable in Kendall County, Texas such that exclusive venue for any action arising out of this Agreement shall be in Kendall County, Texas.

Section 14. Paragraph Headings; Construction. The paragraph headings contained in this Agreement are for convenience only and shall in no way enlarge or limit the scope or meaning of the various and several paragraphs hereof. Both parties have participated in the negotiation and preparation of this Agreement and this Agreement shall not be construed either more or less strongly against or for either party.

Section 15. Binding Effect. Except as limited herein, the terms and provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, devisees, personal and legal representatives, successors and assigns.

Section 16. Gender. Within this Agreement, words of any gender shall be held and construed to include any other gender, and words in the singular number shall be held and construed to include the plural, unless the context otherwise requires.

Section 17. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

Section 18. Exhibits. All exhibits to this Agreement are incorporated herein by reference for all purposes wherever reference is made to the same.

Section 19. Entire Agreement. It is understood and agreed that this Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes any and all prior agreements, arrangements or understandings between the parties relating to the subject matter. No oral understandings, statements, promises or inducements contrary to the terms of this Agreement exist. This Agreement cannot be changed or terminated orally.

Section 20. Relationship of Parties. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be deemed or construed by the parties hereto or by any third party to create the relationship of principal and agent or of partnership or of joint venture or of any association whatsoever between the parties, it being expressly understood and agreed that no provision contained in this Agreement nor any act or acts of the parties hereto shall be deemed to create any relationship between the parties other than the relationship of independent parties contracting with each other solely for the purpose of effecting the provisions of this Agreement.

Section 21. Right To Audit. City shall have the right to examine and audit the books and records of Contractor with regards to the work described in Exhibit A, or any subsequent changes, at any reasonable time. Such books and records will be maintained

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in accordance with generally accepted principles of accounting and will be adequate to enable determination of: (1) the substantiation and accuracy of any payments required to be made under this Agreement; and (2) compliance with the provisions of this Agreement.

22. Dispute Resolution. In accordance with the provisions of Subchapter I, Chapter 271, TEX. LOCAL GOV'T CODE, the parties agree that, prior to instituting any lawsuit or other proceeding arising from a dispute under this agreement, the parties will first attempt to resolve the dispute by taking the following steps: (1) A written notice substantially describing the nature of the dispute shall be delivered by the dissatisfied party to the other party, which notice shall request a written response to be delivered to the dissatisfied party not less than 5 days after receipt of the notice of dispute. (2) If the response does not reasonably resolve the dispute, in the opinion of the dissatisfied party, the dissatisfied party shall give notice to that effect to the other party whereupon each party shall appoint a person having authority over the activities of the respective parties who shall promptly meet, in person, in an effort to resolve the dispute. (3) If those persons cannot or do not resolve the dispute, then the parties shall each appoint a person from the highest tier of managerial responsibility within each respective party, who shall then promptly meet, in person, in an effort to resolve the dispute.

23. Disclosure of Business Relationships/Affiliations; Conflict of Interest Questionnaire. Contractor represents that it is in compliance with the applicable filing and disclosure requirements of Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code.

24. Boycott Israel. The City may not enter into a contract with a company for goods and services unless the contract contains a written verification from the company; (i) it does not Boycott Israel; and (ii) will not Boycott Israel during the term of the contract. (Texas government code chapter 2270) by entering this agreement, Professional verifies that it does not Boycott Israel, and agrees that during the term of the agreement will not Boycott Israel as that term is defined in the Texas Government Code Section 808.001, as amended.

25. Energy Company Boycotts. Contractor represents and warrants that: (1) it does not, and will not for the duration of the contract, boycott energy companies or (2) the verification required by Section 2274.002 of the Texas Government Code does not apply to the contract. If circumstances relevant to this provision change during the course of the contract, Contractor shall promptly notify City.

26. Firearm Entities and Trade Association Discrimination. Contractor verifies that: (1) it does not, and will not for the duration of the contract, have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association or (2) the verification required by Section 2274.002 of the Texas Government Code does not apply to the contract. If circumstances relevant to this provision change during the course of the contract, Contractor shall promptly notify City.

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27. Sales Tax. The City qualifies as an exempt agency under the Texas Limited Sales, Excise and Use Tax Act (the "Tax Act") and is not subject to any State or City sales taxes on materials incorporated into the project. Labor used in the performance of this contract is also not subject to State or City sales taxes. The City will provide an exemption certificate to the Contractor. The Contractor must have a sales tax permit issued by the Comptroller of Public Accounts and shall issue a resale certificate complying with the Tax Act, as amended, when purchasing said materials. The Contractor is responsible for any sales taxes applicable to equipment purchases, rentals, leases, consumable supplies which are not incorporated into the services to be provided under this Contract, tangible personal property purchased for use in the performance of this Contract and not completely consumed, or other taxable services used to perform this Contract, or other taxes required by law in connection with this Contract.

28. Compliance with Laws, Charter, Ordinances. Contractor, its agents, employees and subcontractors must comply with all applicable federal and state laws, the ordinances of the City of Fair Oaks Ranch, and with all applicable rules and regulations promulgated by local, state and national boards, bureaus and agencies. Contractor must obtain all necessary permits, bonds and licenses that are required in completing the work contracted for in this agreement.

29. Liquidated Damages. Contractor hereby acknowledges that the award of the contract includes the requirement to timely commence the work on the Project in accordance with the fully executed Contract. Contractor hereby further agrees to pay to City as liquidated damages the applicable sum quoted below, for each calendar day in excess of the time set forth for completion of the Project. Time of completion is of the essence for the Project.

For each day that any work shall remain uncompleted after the time specified in the Contract, or the increased time granted by the City, or as equitably increased by additional work or materials ordered after the Contract is executed, the sum per day given in the following schedule, unless otherwise specified in the special provisions, shall be deducted from the monies due from the City:

AMOUNT OF CONTRACT	AMOUNT OF LIQUIDATED DAMAGES
Less than \$25,000.00	\$100.00 Per Day
\$25,000.00 to \$99,999.99	\$150.00 Per Day
\$100,000.00 to \$499,999.99	\$200.00 Per Day
\$500,000.00 to \$1,000,000.00	\$250.00 Per Day
More than \$1,000,000.00 (sliding scale)	\$350 Per Day first 30 days; \$400 Per Day 31-60 days; \$500 Per Day 90 days and beyond

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The sum of money thus deducted for such delay, failure or non-completion is not to be considered as a penalty, but shall be deemed, taken and treated as reasonable liquidated damages, per day that the default shall continue after the time stipulated in the Contract for completing the work. The said amounts are fixed and agreed upon because of the impracticability and extreme difficulty of fixing and ascertaining the actual damages that the City in such event would sustain; and said amounts are agreed to be the amounts of damages which the City would sustain and which shall be retained from the monies due, or that may become due, under the Contract; and if said monies be insufficient to cover the amount owing, then the surety shall pay any additional amounts due. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that the actual damages incurred by the City exceed the amount of liquidated damages, the City shall be entitled to recover its actual damages.

30. Warranty

The Contractor shall provide a warranty covering defect of material and workmanship for one calendar year following final completion of the Project.

31. Retainage

For each progress payment made prior to Final Completion of the Work, the City may withhold retainage in the amount of 10%. Retainage will be released upon achievement of Final Completion and acceptance by the City.

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EXECUTED on _____.

CITY:

CONTRACTOR:

By: _____

By: _____

Name: Scott M. Huizenga

Name: _____

Title: City Manager

Title: _____

ADDRESS FOR NOTICE:

CITY

City of Fair Oaks Ranch
Attn: Scott M. Huizenga
7286 Dietz Elkhorn
Fair Oaks Ranch, TX 78015

CONTRACTOR

JCM Commercial Services LLC
223 Granada Dr.
Universal City, TX 78015

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SCOPE OF SERVICES

**CITY OF FAIR OAKS RANCH
FY24-25 SEALCOATING PROJECT
PRICING FORM – REVISED ON 05/15/25**

Bid Item	Unit Price	Extended Price
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Mobilization Includes mobilization and cost for any required Payment and/or Performance Bonds	\$ <u>15,000</u> /ls	\$ <u>15,000</u>
Sealcoating 114,891 square yards	\$ <u>2.10</u> /sy	\$ <u>241,271.10</u>

Total Bid Amount \$ 256,271.10

By signing below, company acknowledges it has received all bidding documents and instructions, and agrees to execute the Standard Construction Services Agreement if awarded a contract for this Project and promptly supply any required insurance certificate(s) and/or endorsements, Payment and Performance Bonds upon request by the City and prior to commencement of work. The required certified check, cashier's check or bid bond shall be included and immediately follow this executed Unit Pricing Form.

COMPANY: JCM Commercial Services LLC

AUTHORIZED COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE Joshua Alexander

SIGNATURE: 

DATE 5/21/2025

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REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL INSURANCE DOCUMENTS

The Contractor shall comply with each and every condition contained herein. The Contractor shall provide and maintain the minimum insurance coverage set forth below during the term of its agreement with the City. Any Subcontractor(s) hired by the Contractor shall maintain insurance coverage equal to that required of the Contractor. It is the responsibility of the Contractor to assure compliance with this provision. The City of Fair Oaks Ranch accepts no responsibility arising from the conduct, or lack of conduct, of the Subcontractor.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF INSURANCE DOCUMENT

With reference to the foregoing insurance requirements, Contractor shall specifically endorse applicable insurance policies as follows:

1. The City of Fair Oaks Ranch shall be named as an additional insured with respect to General Liability and Automobile Liability **on a separate endorsement**.
2. A waiver of subrogation in favor of The City of Fair Oaks Ranch shall be contained in the Workers Compensation and all liability policies and must be provided **on a separate endorsement**.
3. All insurance policies shall be endorsed to the effect that The City of Fair Oaks Ranch will receive at least thirty (30) days written notice prior to cancellation or non-renewal of the insurance.
4. All insurance policies, which name The City of Fair Oaks Ranch as an additional insured, must be endorsed to read as primary and non-contributory coverage regardless of the application of other insurance.
5. **Chapter 1811 of the Texas Insurance Code, Senate Bill 425 82(R) of 2011, states that the above endorsements cannot be on the certificate of insurance. Separate endorsements must be provided for each of the above.**
6. All insurance policies shall be endorsed to require the insurer to immediately notify The City of Fair Oaks Ranch of any material change in the insurance coverage.
7. All liability policies shall contain no cross-liability exclusions or insured versus insured restrictions.
8. Required limits may be satisfied by any combination of primary and umbrella liability insurances.
9. Contractor may maintain reasonable and customary deductibles, subject to approval by The City of Fair Oaks Ranch.
10. Insurance must be purchased from insurers having a minimum AmBest rating of B+.
11. All insurance must be written on forms filed with and approved by the Texas Department of Insurance. (ACORD 25 2010/05). Coverage must be written on an occurrence form.
12. Contractual Liability must be maintained covering the Contractors obligations contained in the contract. Certificates of Insurance shall be prepared and executed by the insurance company or its authorized agent and shall contain provisions

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representing and warranting all endorsements and insurance coverages according to requirements and instructions contained herein.

13. Upon request, Contractor shall furnish The City of Fair Oaks Ranch with certified copies of all insurance policies.
14. A valid certificate of insurance verifying each of the coverages required above shall be issued directly to the City of Fair Oaks Ranch within ten (10) business days after contract award and prior to starting any work by the successful Contractor's insurance agent of record or insurance company. Also, prior to the start of any work and at the same time that the Certificate of Insurance is issued and sent to the City of Fair Oaks Ranch, all required endorsements identified in sections A, B, C and D, above shall be sent to the City of Fair Oaks Ranch. The certificate of insurance and endorsements shall be sent to:

City of Fair Oaks Ranch
Attn: Clayton Hoelscher, Procurement Manager
Email: choelscher@fairoaksranchtx.org
7286 Dietz Elkhorn
Fair Oaks Ranch, Texas 78015

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EVIDENCE OF INSURANCE

TO BE PROVIDED PRIOR TO CONTRACT EXECUTION