

AGREEMENT

THIS IS AN AGREEMENT, dated the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015, between:

CITY OF WEST PARK, a Florida municipal corporation,  
hereinafter "CITY,"

and

\_\_\_\_\_  
a company, authorized to do business in the State of Florida,  
hereinafter "CONTRACTOR."

WITNESSETH:

In consideration of the mutual terms and condition, promises, covenants, and payments hereinafter set forth, CITY and CONTRACTOR agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1  
PREAMBLE

In order to establish the background, context and form of reference for this Agreement and to generally express the objectives, and intentions, of the respective parties herein, the following statements, representations and explanations shall be accepted as predicates for the undertakings and commitments included within the provisions which follow and may be relied upon by the parties as essential elements of the mutual considerations upon which this Agreement is based.

1.1 CITY is in need of a contractor for construction services for a project titled, **Aquatic Weed Removal Lake Helen & Lake Margaret Twin Lakes Water Control District**

1.2 CITY desires to contract with a professional company with the knowledge and ability to perform the services sought.

1.3 On \_\_\_\_\_, 2015, the CITY awarded the Invitation for Bid to CONTRACTOR and authorized the proper CITY officials to enter into an agreement with CONTRACTOR to render the services more particularly described herein below.

ARTICLE 2  
SCOPE OF WORK

2.1 CONTRACTOR shall furnish all of the materials, tools, supplies, and labor necessary to perform all of the work described in the Invitation for Bid Project Number 15-1023, a copy of which is attached hereto and specifically made a part of this Agreement as Exhibit "A" and in accordance with the prices set forth in Exhibit "B" attached hereto.

2.2 CONTRACTOR shall abide by all specifications outlined in the Notion of Bid Invitation.

2.3 CONTRACTOR hereby represents to CITY, with full knowledge that CITY is relying upon these representations when entering into this Agreement with CONTRACTOR, that CONTRACTOR has the professional expertise, experience and manpower to perform the services to be provided by CONTRACTOR pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

2.3 CONTRACTOR assumes professional and technical responsibility for performance of its services to be provided hereunder in accordance with applicable recognized professional standards and relevant Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE 3  
COMMENCEMENT OF SERVICES,  
TIME FOR COMPLETION AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

3.1 The CONTRACTOR shall commence work as directed by CITY upon the effective date stated in a Notice to Proceed issued by the City Administrator or his designee.

3.2 It is mutually agreed that time is of the essence of this Contract and should the CONTRACTOR fail to complete the work within the specified time, or any authorized extension thereof, there shall be deducted from the compensation otherwise to be paid to the CONTRACTOR, and the CITY will retain as liquidated damages the amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per calendar day for each calendar day elapsing beyond the specified time for completion or any authorized extension thereof, which sum shall represent the actual damages which the CITY will have sustained by failure of the CONTRACTOR to complete the work within the specified time. It is further agreed that said sum is not penalty, but is the stipulated amount of damage sustained by the CITY in the event of such default by the CONTRACTOR.

ARTICLE 4  
CONTRACT SUM

4.1 The CITY hereby agrees to pay CONTRACTOR for the faithful performance of this Agreement, for work completed in accordance with its response to Invitation for Bid Project Number 15-1023 for Construction Services. Prices for work completed by the CONTRACTOR shall be as reflected in CONTRACTOR's response for Construction Services made a part hereof as Exhibit "A" and in accordance with the prices set forth in Exhibit "B" attached hereto.

4.2 CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible for and shall provide for the payment of workers compensation insurance coverage and premium, and all other insurance pursuant to Article 5 below, withholding taxes, FICA, pension and profit sharing contributions, retirement contributions, if any, all remunerations; all labor contract compliance, and all other charges, fees, permits and expenses associated with the employment of such personnel provided by

CONTRACTOR hereunder. CITY shall bear no responsibility for any such charge, fees, permits or expenses associated with the employment of such personnel by CONTRACTOR.

4.3 Payment to CONTRACTOR for all tasks and charges under this Agreement shall be in accordance with the schedule set forth in Exhibit "B" hereto and the following conditions:

- A. Disbursements. There are no reimbursable expenses associated with this Agreement.
- B. Payment Schedule. Invoices received from CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Agreement will be reviewed by the appropriate City Department. If services have been rendered in conformity with the Agreement, the invoice will be sent to the City's Finance Department for payment.
- C. Availability of Funds. CITY's performance and obligation to pay under this Agreement is contingent upon an annual appropriation for its purpose by the City Commission.
- D. Final Invoice. In order for both parties herein to close their books and records, the CONTRACTOR will clearly state "final invoice" on the CONTRACTOR's final bill to the CITY.

4.4 The making and acceptance of the final payment shall constitute a waiver of all claims by the CITY other than those arising from unsettled liens, or from requirements of the specifications. It shall also constitute a waiver of all claims by the CONTRACTOR, except those previously made and still unsettled.

## ARTICLE 5 CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY INSURANCE

5.1 The CONTRACTOR shall not commence work under this contract until he has obtained all insurance required under this paragraph and such insurance has been approved by the CITY nor shall the CONTRACTOR allow any Subcontractor to commence work on his sub-contract until all similar such insurance required of the subcontractor has been obtained and approved.

5.2 Certificates of insurance, reflecting evidence of the required insurance, shall be filed with the City prior to the commencement of the work. These Certificates shall contain a provision that coverage afforded under these policies will not be canceled until at least thirty days (30) prior written notice has been given to the CITY. Policies shall be issued by companies authorized to do business under the laws of the State of Florida.

5.3 Financial Ratings must be no less than "A" in the latest edition of "Bests Key Rating Guide", published by A.M. Best Guide.

5.4 Insurance shall be in force until all work required to be performed under the terms of the Contract is satisfactorily completed as evidenced by the formal acceptance by the CITY. In

the event the insurance certificate provided indicates that the insurance shall terminate and lapse during the period of this contract, then in that event, the CONTRACTOR shall furnish, at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the date of such insurance, a renewed certificate of insurance as proof that equal and like coverage for the balance of the period of the contract and extension thereunder is in effect. The CONTRACTOR shall not continue to work pursuant to this contract unless all required insurance remains in full force and effect.

5.5 Comprehensive General Liability insurance to cover bodily injury liability and property damage liability with minimum limits of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrences. Exposures to be covered are:

- Premises and Operation
- Products/Completed Operations
- Broad Form Property Damages
- Broad Form Contractual Coverage applicable to this specific Agreement, including any hold harmless and/or indemnification agreement.
- Personal Injury Coverage with Employee and Contractual Exclusions removed, with minimum limits of coverage equal to those required for Bodily Injury Liability and Property Damage Liability.

Business Automobile Liability with minimum limits of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence combined single limit for Bodily Injury Liability and Property Damage Liability. Coverage must be afforded on a form no more restrictive than the latest edition of the Business Automobile Liability policy, without restrictive endorsements, and must include:

- Owned vehicles
- Hired and Non-Owned Vehicles
- Employers' Non-Ownership.

5.6 The CONTRACTOR shall hold the CITY, its agents, and employees, harmless on account of claims for damages to persons, property or premises arising out of the operations to complete this Agreement and name the CITY as an additional insured under their policy.

5.7 The CITY reserves the right to require any other insurance coverage it deems necessary depending upon the exposures.

## ARTICLE 6 PROTECTION OF PROPERTY

6.1 At all times during the performance of this Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall protect the CITY's property and properties adjoining the Project site from all damage whatsoever on account of the work being carried on pursuant to this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 7 CONTRACTOR'S INDEMNIFICATION

7.1 The CONTRACTOR agrees to release the CITY from and against any and all liability and responsibility in connection with the above mentioned matters. The CONTRACTOR further agrees not to sue or seek any money or damages from CITY in connection with the above mentioned matters, except in the event that the City fails to pay to CONTRACTOR the fees and costs as provided for in Article 4 herein.

7.2 The CONTRACTOR agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the CITY, its trustees, elected and appointed officers, agents, servants and employees, from and against any and all claims, demands, or causes of action of whatsoever kind or nature, and the resulting losses, costs, expenses, reasonable attorneys' fees, liabilities, damages, orders, judgments, or decrees, sustained by the CITY or any third party arising out of, or by reason of, or resulting from the CONTRACTOR's negligent acts, errors, or omissions.

7.3 If a court of competent jurisdiction holds the City liable for certain tortuous acts of its agents, officers, or employees, such liability shall be limited to the extent and limit provided in 768.28, Florida Statutes. This provision shall not be construed as a waiver of any right or defense that the City may possess. The City specifically reserves all rights as against any and all claims that may be brought.

ARTICLE 8  
INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

8.1 This Agreement does not create an employee/employer relationship between the parties. It is the intent of the parties that the CONTRACTOR is an independent contractor under this Agreement and not the CITY's employee for all purposes, including but not limited to, the application of the Fair Labor Standards Act minimum wage and overtime payments, Federal Insurance Contribution Act, the Social Security Act, the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, the State Workers Compensation Act, and the State unemployment insurance law. The CONTRACTOR shall retain sole and absolute discretion in the judgment of the manner and means of carrying out the CONTRACTOR's activities and responsibilities hereunder provided. This Agreement shall not be construed as creating any joint employment relationship between the CONTRACTOR and the CITY and the CITY will not be liable for any obligation incurred by CONTRACTOR, including but not limited to unpaid minimum wages and/or overtime premiums.

ARTICLE 9  
CONTRACT BOND

9.1 The bond requirements for this Agreement shall be as follows:

Performance Bond	Not Required
Payment Bond	Not Required
Bid Bond	Not Required

ARTICLE 10  
CHANGES TO SCOPE OF WORK AND ADDITIONAL WORK

10.1 CITY or CONTRACTOR may request changes that would increase, decrease or otherwise modify the Scope of Services/Basic Services to be provided under this Agreement as described in Article 2 of this Agreement. Such changes or additional services must be in accordance with the provisions of the Code of Ordinances of the CITY and must be contained in a written amendment, executed by the parties hereto, with the same formality and with equality and dignity prior to any deviation from the terms of this Agreement, including the initiation of any additional or extra work. Each amendment shall at a minimum include the following information on each project:

PROJECT NAME  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION  
ESTIMATED PROJECT COST  
ESTIMATED COST FOR ADDITION OR CHANGE TO PROJECT CONTRACT  
ESTIMATED PROJECT COMPLETION DATE

10.2 In no event will the CONTRACTOR be compensated for any work which has not been described in a separate written agreement executed by the parties hereto.

ARTICLE 11  
TERM AND TERMINATION

11.1 This Agreement shall commence upon the effective date stated in a Notice to Proceed issued by the City Administrator or his designee, and shall remain in effect for until date specified in the notice or as extended in writing.

11.2 This Agreement may be terminated by either party for cause, or the CITY for convenience, upon thirty (30) days written notice by the CITY to CONTRACTOR in which event the CONTRACTOR shall be paid its compensation for services performed to termination date. In the event that the CONTRACTOR abandons this Agreement or causes it to be terminated, he shall indemnify the CITY against any loss pertaining to this termination up to a maximum of the full contracted fee amount. All finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, plans, surveys, and reports prepared by CONTRACTOR shall become the property of CITY and shall be delivered by CONTRACTOR to CITY.

ARTICLE 12  
CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

12.1 CONTRACTOR and CITY hereby agree that the following Specification and Contract Documents, which are attached hereto and made a part thereof, are fully incorporated herein and made a part of this Agreement, as if written herein word for word: this Agreement; City of West Park Bid Invitation No. 15-1023; Response for Construction Services; City Commission award; and any exhibits thereto.

ARTICLE 13  
MISCELLANEOUS

13.1 Legal Representation. It is acknowledged that each party to this Agreement had the opportunity to be represented by counsel in the preparation of this Agreement and, accordingly, the rule that a contract shall be interpreted strictly against the party preparing same shall not apply due to the joint contribution of both parties.

13.2 Assignments. This Agreement, or any interest herein, shall not be assigned, transferred or otherwise encumbered, under any circumstances, by CONTRACTOR without the prior written consent of CITY. For purposes of this Agreement, any change of ownership of CONTRACTOR shall constitute an assignment which requires CITY approval. However, this Agreement shall run to the CITY and its successors and assigns.

13.3 Records. CONTRACTOR shall keep books and records and require any and all subcontractors to keep books and records as may be necessary in order to record complete and correct entries as to personnel hours charged to this engagement, and any expenses for which CONTRACTOR expects to be reimbursed, if applicable. Such books and records will be available at all reasonable times for examination and audit by CITY and shall be kept for a period of three (3) years after the completion of all work to be performed pursuant to this Agreement. Incomplete or incorrect entries in such books and records will be grounds for disallowance by CITY of any fees or expenses based upon such entries.

CITY is a public agency subject to Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. To the extent CONTRACTOR is acting on behalf of CITY pursuant to Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, CONTRACTOR shall:

- a. Keep and maintain public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required to be kept and maintained by CITY were CITY performing the services under this agreement;
- b. Provide the public with access to such public records on the same terms and conditions that the County would provide the records and at a cost that does not exceed that provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, or as otherwise provided by law;
- c. Ensure that public records that are exempt or that are confidential and exempt from public record requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law; and
- d. Meet all requirements for retaining public records and transfer to CITY, at no cost, all public records in possession of the CONTRACTOR upon termination of this Agreement and destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt. All records stored electronically must be provided to the CITY.

13.4 Ownership of Documents. Reports, surveys, plans, studies and other data provided in

connection with this Agreement are and shall remain the property of City.

13.5 No Contingent Fees. CONTRACTOR warrants that it has not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the CONTRACTOR, to solicit or secure this Agreement, and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, individual or firm, other than a bona fide employee working solely for CONTRACTOR, any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Agreement. For the breach or violation of this provision, the CITY shall have the right to terminate the Agreement without liability at its discretion, to deduct from the contract price, or otherwise recover the full amount of such fee, commission, percentage, gift or consideration.

13.6 Notice. Whenever any party desires to give notice unto any other party, it must be given by written notice, sent by registered United States mail, with return receipt requested, addressed to the party for whom it is intended and the remaining party, at the places last specified, and the places for giving of notice shall remain such until they shall have been changed by written notice in compliance with the provisions of this section. For the present, the CONTRACTOR and the CITY designate the following as the respective places for giving of notice:

CITY: W. Ajibola Balogun, City Administrator  
19565 South State Road 7  
West Park, Florida 33023

Copy To: Burnadette Norris-Weeks, City Attorney  
Burnadette Norris-Weeks, P.A.  
401 North Avenue of the Arts  
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33311

CONTRACTOR: \_\_\_\_\_  
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13.7 Binding Authority. Each person signing this Agreement on behalf of either party individually warrants that he or she has full legal power to execute this Agreement on behalf of the party for whom he or she is signing, and to bind and obligate such party with respect to all provisions contained in this Agreement.

13.8 Exhibits. Each Exhibit referred to in this Agreement forms an essential part of this Agreement. The exhibits if not physically attached should be treated as part of this Agreement and are incorporated herein by reference.

13.9 Headings. Headings herein are for convenience of reference only and shall not be considered on any interpretation of this Agreement.

13.10 Severability. If any provision of this Agreement or application thereof to any person or

situation shall, to any extent, be held invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement, and the application of such provisions to persons or situations other than those as to which it shall have been held invalid or unenforceable shall not be affected thereby, and shall continue in full force and effect, and be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law.

13.11 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida with venue lying in Broward County, Florida.

13.12 Disputes. Any claim, objection, or dispute arising out of the terms of this Agreement shall be litigated in the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit Court in and for Broward County.

13.13 Attorney's Fees. To the extent authorized by law, in the event that either party brings suit for enforcement of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to attorney's fees and court costs in addition to any other remedy afforded by law.

13.14 Extent of Agreement. This Agreement together with Contract Documents, attached as an Exhibit hereto, as amended herein above represents the entire and integrated agreement between the CITY and the CONTRACTOR and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations or agreements, either written or oral.

13.15 Waiver. Failure of the CITY to insist upon strict performance of any provision or condition of this Agreement, or to execute any right therein contained, shall not be construed as a waiver or relinquishment for the future of any such provision, condition, or right, but the same shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS OF THE FOREGOING, the parties have set their hands and seals the day and year first written above.

CITY OF WEST PARK

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Alexandra Grant, City Clerk

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Eric H. Jones, Jr., Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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Burnadette Norris-Weeks, City Attorney

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W. Ajibola Balogun, City Administrator



EXHIBIT "A"  
(RESPONSE FOR AQUATIC WEED REMOVAL LAKE HELEN & LAKE MARGARET  
TWIN LAKES WATER CONTROL DISTRICT –  
CITY OF WEST PARK BID NO. 15-1023)

EXHIBIT "B"  
PRICE FOR SERVICES