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**CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SANTA ANA AND PALP INC., DBA EXCEL PAVING COMPANY FOR ON-CALL EMERGENCY ASPHALT CONCRETE, CONCRETE AND STORM DRAIN REPAIR SERVICES**

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2024 by and between PALP, Inc., a California corporation, dba Excel Paving Company ("Contractor"), and the City of Santa Ana, a charter city and municipal corporation organized and existing under the Constitution and laws of the State of California ("City").

**RECITALS**

- A. On January 9, 2024, the City issued Request for Proposal ("RFP") No. 23-182, by which it sought to retain a Contractor having special skill and knowledge in the field of on-call emergency asphalt concrete, concrete and storm drain repair services.
- B. Contractor submitted a responsive proposal that was among those selected by the City. Contractor represents that it is able and willing to provide such services described in the Scope of Work that was included in RFP No. 23-182.
- C. In undertaking the performance of this Agreement, Contractor represents that it is knowledgeable in its field and that any services performed by Contractor under this Agreement will be performed in compliance with such standards as may reasonably be expected from a professional consulting firm in the field.

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual and respective promises, and subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth, the parties agree as follows:

**1. SCOPE OF SERVICES**

Contractor shall perform during the term of this Agreement, the tasks and obligations including all labor, materials, tools, equipment, and incidental customary work required to fully and adequately complete the services described and set forth in **Scope of Services - Exhibit A**, attached hereto and incorporated herein, and as further described in **Contractor's Proposal - Exhibit B**, attached hereto and incorporated herein.

**2. COMPENSATION**

- a. City neither warrants nor guarantees any minimum or maximum compensation to Contractor under this Agreement. Contractor shall be paid only for actual services performed under this Agreement at the rates and charges identified in Contractor's Fee Proposal, which is attached hereto and fully incorporated herein by this reference as **"Compensation - Exhibit C."** Contractor is one of three (3) separate contractors selected to provide services on an on-call basis under RFP 23-182. The total compensation for services provided by all contractors selected under RFP 23-182 shall not exceed the shared aggregate amount of \$3,000,000.00 during the term of this Agreement, including any extension periods, as set forth in Section 3, below.

- b. Payment by City shall be made within forty-five (45) days following receipt of proper invoice evidencing work performed, subject to City accounting procedures. City and Contractor agree that all payments due and owing under this Agreement shall be made through Automated Clearing House (ACH) transfers. Contractor agrees to execute the City's standard ACH Vendor Payment Authorization and provide required documentation. Upon verification of the data provided, the City will be authorized to deposit payments directly into Contractor's account(s) with financial institutions. Payment need not be made for work which fails to meet the standards of performance set forth in the Recitals which may reasonably be expected by City.

### **3. TERM**

This Agreement shall commence on the date first written above and end on May 20, 2027, with the option for the City to grant up to one (1), two (2) year extension, exercisable by a writing by the City Manager and the City Attorney, unless terminated earlier in accordance with Section 16, below.

### **4. PREVAILING WAGES**

Contractor is aware of the requirements of California Labor Code Section 1720, et seq., and 1770, et seq., as well as California Code of Regulations, Title 8, Section 16000, et seq., ("Prevailing Wage Laws"), which require the payment of prevailing wage rates and the performance of other requirements on "public works" and "maintenance" projects. If the services being performed are part of an applicable "public works" or "maintenance" project, as defined by the Prevailing Wage Laws, and the total compensation is \$1,000 or more, Contractor agrees to fully comply with such Prevailing Wage Laws. Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold the City, its elected officials, officers, employees and agents free and harmless from any claim or liability arising out of any failure or alleged failure to comply with the Prevailing Wage Laws.

### **5. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

Contractor shall, during the entire term of this Agreement, be construed to be an independent contractor and not an employee of the City. This Agreement is not intended nor shall it be construed to create an employer-employee relationship, a joint venture relationship, or to allow the City to exercise discretion or control over the professional manner in which Contractor performs the services which are the subject matter of this Agreement; however, the services to be provided by Contractor shall be provided in a manner consistent with all applicable standards and regulations governing such services. Contractor shall pay all salaries and wages, employer's social security taxes, unemployment insurance and similar taxes relating to employees and shall be responsible for all applicable withholding taxes.

### **6. OWNERSHIP OF MATERIALS**

This Agreement creates a non-exclusive and perpetual license for City to copy, use, modify, reuse, or sublicense any and all copyrights, designs, and other intellectual property embodied in plans, specifications, studies, drawings, estimates, and other documents or works of

authorship fixed in any tangible medium of expression, including but not limited to, physical drawings or data magnetically or otherwise recorded on computer diskettes, which are prepared or caused to be prepared by Contractor under this Agreement ("Documents & Data"). Contractor shall require all subcontractors to agree in writing that City is granted a non-exclusive and perpetual license for any Documents & Data the subcontractor prepares under this Agreement. Contractor represents and warrants that Contractor has the legal right to license any and all Documents & Data. Contractor makes no such representation and warranty in regard to Documents & Data which were provided to Contractor by the City. City shall not be limited in any way in its use of the Documents and Data at any time, provided that any such use not within the purposes intended by this Agreement shall be at City's sole risk.

## **7. INSURANCE**

Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder and the results of that work by the Contractor, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

**Minimum Scope and Limit of Insurance.** Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location (ISO CG 25 03 or 25 04) or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
- Automobile Liability: ISO Form Number CA 00 01 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, hired, (Code 8) and non-owned autos (Code 9), with limit no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
- Workers' Compensation: as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.

If the Contractor maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown above, the City requires and shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or the higher limits maintained by the contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the City.

**Other Insurance Provisions.** The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

**Additional Insured Status.** The City, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20

10 11 85 or if not available, through the addition of both CG 20 10, CG 20 26, CG 20 33, or CG 20 38; and CG 20 37 if a later edition is used).

**Primary Coverage.** For any claims related to this contract, the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary coverage at least as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13 as respects the City, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the City, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

**Notice of Cancellation.** Each insurance policy required above shall provide that coverage shall not be canceled, except with notice to the City.

**Waiver of Subrogation.** Contractor hereby grants to City a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Contractor may acquire against the City by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the City has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

**Self-Insured Retentions.** Self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the City. The City may require the Contractor to purchase coverage with a lower retention or provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention. The policy language shall provide, or be endorsed to provide, that the self-insured retention may be satisfied by either the named insured or City.

**Acceptability of Insurers.** Insurance is to be placed with insurers authorized to conduct business in the state with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the City.

**Verification of Coverage.** Contractor shall furnish the City with original Certificates of Insurance including all required amendatory endorsements (or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this clause) and a copy of the Declarations and Endorsement Page of the CGL policy listing all policy endorsements to City before work begins. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The City reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.

**Special Risks or Circumstances.** City reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

## **8. INDEMNIFICATION**

Contractor agrees to defend, and shall indemnify and hold harmless the City, its officers, agents, employees, contractors, special counsel, and representatives from liability: (1) for personal injury, damages, just compensation, restitution, judicial or equitable relief arising out of claims for

personal injury, including death, and claims for property damage, which may arise from the negligent operations of the Contractor, its subcontractors, agents, employees, or other persons acting on its behalf which relates to the services described in section 1 of this Agreement; and (2) from any claim that personal injury, damages, just compensation, restitution, judicial or equitable relief is due by reason of the terms of or effects arising from this Agreement. This indemnity and hold harmless agreement applies to all claims for damages, just compensation, restitution, judicial or equitable relief suffered, or alleged to have been suffered, by reason of the events referred to in this Section or by reason of the terms of, or effects, arising from this Agreement. The Contractor further agrees to indemnify, hold harmless, and pay all costs for the defense of the City, including fees and costs for special counsel to be selected by the City, regarding any action by a third party challenging the validity of this Agreement, or asserting that personal injury, damages, just compensation, restitution, judicial or equitable relief due to personal or property rights arises by reason of the terms of, or effects arising from this Agreement. City may make all reasonable decisions with respect to its representation in any legal proceeding. Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent Contractor's services are subject to Civil Code Section 2782.8, the above indemnity shall be limited, to the extent required by Civil Code Section 2782.8, to claims that arise out of, pertain to, or relate to the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of the Contractor.

#### **9. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INDEMNIFICATION**

Contractor shall defend and indemnify the City, its officers, agents, representatives, and employees against any and all liability, including costs, for infringement of any United States' letters patent, trademark, or copyright infringement, including costs, contained in the work product or documents provided by Contractor to the City pursuant to this Agreement.

#### **10. RECORDS**

Contractor shall keep records and invoices in connection with the work to be performed under this Agreement. Contractor shall maintain complete and accurate records with respect to the costs incurred under this Agreement and any services, expenditures, and disbursements charged to the City for a minimum period of three (3) years, or for any longer period required by law, from the date of final payment to Contractor under this Agreement. All such records and invoices shall be clearly identifiable. Contractor shall allow a representative of the City to examine, audit, and make transcripts or copies of such records and any other documents created pursuant to this Agreement during regular business hours. Contractor shall allow inspection of all work, data, documents, proceedings, and activities related to this Agreement for a period of three (3) years from the date of final payment to Contractor under this Agreement.

#### **11. CONFIDENTIALITY**

If Contractor receives from the City information which due to the nature of such information is reasonably understood to be confidential and/or proprietary, Contractor agrees that it shall not use or disclose such information except in the performance of this Agreement, and further agrees to exercise the same degree of care it uses to protect its own information of like importance, but in no event less than reasonable care. "Confidential Information" shall include all nonpublic information. Confidential information includes not only written information, but also

information transferred orally, visually, electronically, or by other means. Confidential information disclosed to either party by any subsidiary and/or agent of the other party is covered by this Agreement. The foregoing obligations of non-use and nondisclosure shall not apply to any information that (a) has been disclosed in publicly available sources; (b) is, through no fault of the Contractor disclosed in a publicly available source; (c) is in rightful possession of the Contractor without an obligation of confidentiality; (d) is required to be disclosed by operation of law; or (e) is independently developed by the Contractor without reference to information disclosed by the City.

## **12. CONFLICT OF INTEREST CLAUSE**

Contractor covenants that it presently has no interests and shall not have interests, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner with performance of services specified under this Agreement.

## **13. NON-DISCRIMINATION**

Contractor shall not discriminate because of race, color, creed, religion, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, gender, medical conditions, genetic information, or military and veteran status, age, national origin, ancestry, or disability, as defined and prohibited by applicable law, in the recruitment, selection, teaching, training, utilization, promotion, termination or other employment related activities or any services provided under this Agreement. Contractor affirms that it is an equal opportunity employer and shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations.

## **14. EXCLUSIVITY AND AMENDMENT**

This Agreement represents the complete and exclusive statement between the City and Contractor, and supersedes any and all other agreements, oral or written, between the parties. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Agreement and any attachments hereto, the terms of this Agreement shall prevail. This Agreement may not be modified except by written instrument signed by the City and by an authorized representative of Contractor. The parties agree that any terms or conditions of any purchase order or other instrument that are inconsistent with, or in addition to, the terms and conditions hereof, shall not bind or obligate Contractor or the City. Each party to this Agreement acknowledges that no representations, inducements, promises or agreements, orally or otherwise, have been made by any party, or anyone acting on behalf of any party, which is not embodied herein.

## **15. ASSIGNMENT**

Inasmuch as this Agreement is intended to secure the specialized services of Contractor, Contractor may not assign, transfer, delegate, or subcontract any interest herein without the prior written consent of the City and any such assignment, transfer, delegation or subcontract without the City's prior written consent shall be considered null and void. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to limit the City's ability to have any of the services which are the subject to this Agreement performed by City personnel or by other contractors retained by City.

## **16. TERMINATION**

This Agreement may be terminated by the City upon thirty (30) days written notice of termination. In such event, Contractor shall be entitled to receive and the City shall pay Contractor compensation for all services performed by Contractor prior to receipt of such notice of termination, subject to the following conditions:

- a. As a condition of such payment, the Executive Director may require Contractor to deliver to the City all work product(s) completed as of such date, and in such case such work product shall be the property of the City unless prohibited by law, and Contractor consents to the City's use thereof for such purposes as the City deems appropriate.
- b. Payment need not be made for work which fails to meet the standard of performance specified in the Recitals of this Agreement.

## **17. WAIVER**

No waiver of breach, failure of any condition, or any right or remedy contained in or granted by the provisions of this Agreement shall be effective unless it is in writing and signed by the party waiving the breach, failure, right or remedy. No waiver of any breach, failure or right, or remedy shall be deemed a waiver of any other breach, failure, right or remedy, whether or not similar, nor shall any waiver constitute a continuing waiver unless the writing so specifies.

## **18. JURISDICTION - VENUE**

This Agreement has been executed and delivered in the State of California and the validity, interpretation, performance, and enforcement of any of the clauses of this Agreement shall be determined and governed by the laws of the State of California. Both parties further agree that Orange County, California, shall be the venue for any action or proceeding that may be brought or arise out of, in connection with or by reason of this Agreement.

## **19. PROFESSIONAL LICENSES**

Contractor shall, throughout the term of this Agreement, maintain all necessary licenses, permits, approvals, waivers, and exemptions necessary for the provision of the services hereunder and required by the laws and regulations of the United States, the State of California, the City of Santa Ana and all other governmental agencies. Contractor shall notify the City immediately and in writing of its inability to obtain or maintain such permits, licenses, approvals, waivers, and exemptions. Said inability shall be cause for termination of this Agreement.

## **20. NOTICE**

Any notice, tender, demand, delivery, or other communication pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to be properly given if delivered in person or mailed by first class or certified mail, postage prepaid, or sent by fax or other telegraphic communication in the manner provided in this Section, to the following persons:



To City:

City Clerk  
City of Santa Ana  
20 Civic Center Plaza (M-30)  
P.O. Box 1988  
Santa Ana, CA 92702-1988  
Fax: 714- 647-6956

With courtesy copies to:

Executive Director  
Public Works Agency  
City of Santa Ana  
20 Civic Center Plaza  
P.O. Box 1988  
Santa Ana, California 92702

To Contractor:

David Drukker  
Excel Paving, Inc.  
2230 Lemon Ave.  
Long Beach, CA 90806

A party may change its address by giving notice in writing to the other party. Thereafter, any communication shall be addressed and transmitted to the new address. If sent by mail, communication shall be effective or deemed to have been given three (3) days after it has been deposited in the United States mail, duly registered or certified, with postage prepaid, and addressed as set forth above. If sent by fax, communication shall be effective or deemed to have been given twenty-four (24) hours after the time set forth on the transmission report issued by the transmitting facsimile machine, addressed as set forth above. For purposes of calculating these time frames, weekends, federal, state, County or City holidays shall be excluded.

## **21. CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD COMPLIANCE**

Contractor shall comply, and shall ensure all subcontractors comply, with all applicable requirements of the most current version of the regulations imposed by California Air Resources Board ("CARB") including, without limitation, all applicable terms of Title 13, California Code of Regulations Division 3, Chapter 9 and all pending amendments ("Regulation").

Throughout the Project, and for three (3) years thereafter, Contractor shall make available for inspection and copying any and all documents or information associated with Contractor's and its subcontractors' fleets including, without limitation, the Certificates of Reported Compliance ("CRCs"), fuel/refueling records, maintenance records, emissions records, and any



other information the Contractor is required to produce, keep or maintain pursuant to the Regulation upon two (2) calendar days' notice from the City.

Contractor shall be solely liable for any and all costs associated with compliance with the Regulation as well as for any and all penalties, fines, damages, or costs associated with any and all violations, or failures to comply with the Regulation. Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City, its officials, officers, employees and authorized volunteers free and harmless from any claims, liabilities, costs, penalties or interest arising out of any failure or alleged failure to comply with the Regulation.

## **22. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

- a. Each undersigned represents and warrants that its signature herein below has the power, authority and right to bind their respective parties to each of the terms of this Agreement, and shall indemnify City fully, including reasonable costs and attorney's fees, for any injuries or damages to City in the event that such authority or power is not, in fact, held by the signatory or is withdrawn.
- b. All Exhibits referenced herein and attached hereto shall be incorporated as if fully set forth in the body of this Agreement.

*[signatures on following page]*

**SIGNATURE PAGE TO CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF  
SANTA ANA AND PALP INC., DBA EXCEL PAVING COMPANY FOR ON-CALL  
EMERGENCY ASPHALT CONCRETE, CONCRETE AND  
STORM DRAIN REPAIR SERVICES**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement the date and year first  
above written.

**ATTEST**


**CITY OF SANTA ANA**


\_\_\_\_\_  
Jennifer L. Hall  
City Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Alvaro Nunez  
Acting City Manager

**APPROVED AS TO FORM**  
SONIA R. CARVALHO  
City Attorney

**CONTRACTOR:**

By:   
\_\_\_\_\_  
Jonathan T. Martinez  
Assistant City Attorney

By:   
\_\_\_\_\_  
By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: Curtis P. Brown III President

**RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Nabil Saba  
Executive Director  
Public Works Agency

# CALIFORNIA ALL-PURPOSE CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

State of California

County of Los Angeles

On April 26, 2024 before me, Myisha Monique Riven, Notary Public, Notary Public,  
(Here insert name and title of the officer)

personally appeared Curtis P. Brown III

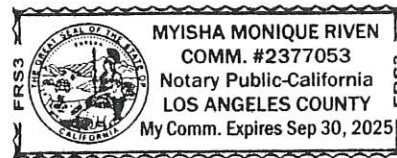
who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/~~are~~ subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/~~she/they~~ executed the same in his/~~her/their~~ authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/~~her/their~~ signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Myisha Monique Riven  
Signature of Notary Public

(Notary Seal)



## ADDITIONAL OPTIONAL INFORMATION

### DESCRIPTION OF THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT

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(Title or description of attached document)

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(Title or description of attached document continued)

Number of Pages \_\_\_\_\_ Document Date \_\_\_\_\_

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(Additional information)

### CAPACITY CLAIMED BY THE SIGNER

- ☐ Individual (s)  
☐ Corporate Officer

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Title)

- ☐ Partner(s)  
☐ Attorney-in-Fact  
☐ Trustee(s)  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM

Any acknowledgment completed in California must contain verbiage exactly as appears above in the notary section or a separate acknowledgment form must be properly completed and attached to that document. The only exception is if a document is to be recorded outside of California. In such instances, any alternative acknowledgment verbiage as may be printed on such a document so long as the verbiage does not require the notary to do something that is illegal for a notary in California (i.e. certifying the authorized capacity of the signer). Please check the document carefully for proper notarial wording and attach this form if required.

- State and County information must be the State and County where the document signer(s) personally appeared before the notary public for acknowledgment.
- Date of notarization must be the date that the signer(s) personally appeared which must also be the same date the acknowledgment is completed.
- The notary public must print his or her name as it appears within his or her commission followed by a comma and then your title (notary public).
- Print the name(s) of document signer(s) who personally appear at the time of notarization.
- Indicate the correct singular or plural forms by crossing off incorrect forms (i.e. ~~he/she/they~~, is /~~are~~) or circling the correct forms. Failure to correctly indicate this information may lead to rejection of document recording.
- The notary seal impression must be clear and photographically reproducible. Impression must not cover text or lines. If seal impression smudges, re-seal if a sufficient area permits, otherwise complete a different acknowledgment form.
- Signature of the notary public must match the signature on file with the office of the county clerk.
  - ❖ Additional information is not required but could help to ensure this acknowledgment is not misused or attached to a different document.
  - ❖ Indicate title or type of attached document, number of pages and date.
  - ❖ Indicate the capacity claimed by the signer. If the claimed capacity is a corporate officer, indicate the title (i.e. CEO, CFO, Secretary).
- Securely attach this document to the signed document