

RESOLUTION NO. 2011 - 039

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE TOWN ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, DIVISION OF FORESTRY FOR TREE PRUNING WITHIN TOWN PARKS AND RIGHTS OF WAY; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR, AND TOWN ATTORNEY TO ENTER INTO THE AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the USDA Forest Service has initiated the Urban and Community Forestry grant fund program in which the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services is accepting applications for the State of Florida through the 2011 National Urban Community Forestry Grant Program, a competitive grant program which provide financial assistance to local governments to enhance local urban and community forestry programs and improve the urban environment within the State Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Town is eligible for a \$10,000 grant for tree pruning, and the grant requires a 1:1 match; and

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2011, pursuant to Resolution No. 2011-035, the Town Council approved the transmittal of this grant application; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council wishes to enter into an Urban and Community Forestry Grant Memorandum of Agreement between the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida and the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services upon approval of the grant award.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida:

Section 1: Recitals. The recitals above are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2: Approval. The Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches does hereby approves an Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Forestry, for tree pruning within the Town's parks and right of ways, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,

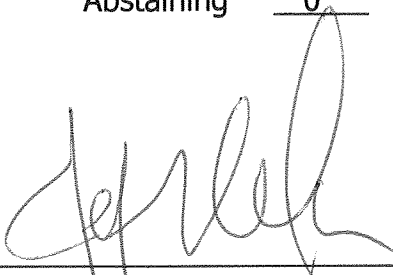
Section 3: Authorization. The Town Council hereby authorizes its Mayor, Town Administrator, and Town Attorney to enter into an Agreement, in substantially the same form as that attached hereto as Exhibit "A", and to make any and all changes necessary and proper to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

Section 4: Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida, this 10th day of March, 2011, on a motion by Vice Mayor Fisikelli and seconded by Council Member McKay.


Nelson	<u>AYE</u>
Fisikelli	<u>AYE</u>
Breitkreuz	<u>AYE</u>
Jablonski	<u>AYE</u>
McKay	<u>AYE</u>

Ayes	<u>5</u>
Nays	<u>0</u>
Absent	<u>0</u>
Abstaining	<u>0</u>



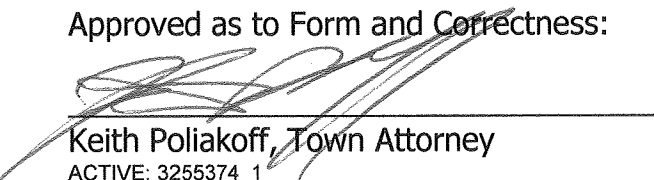
Jeff Nelson, Mayor

ATTEST:



Debra Doré-Thomas, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:



Keith Poliakoff, Town Attorney
ACTIVE: 3255374_1

EXAMPLE OF AGREEMENT

URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY GRANT MAINTENANCE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement, made and entered into this the day of _____, 2011, by and between the DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, State of Florida, hereinafter called the Department and the Town of Southwest Ranches, hereinafter called the Contractor.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Department desires to increase the general level of knowledge of the principles of urban and community forestry by awarding funds to the Contractor for the establishment of a demonstration tree planting project as outlined in the Urban and Community Forestry grant application Number _____ and Grant Memorandum of Agreement (the Grant Agreement) attached hereto as Exhibit "1" and by reference made a part hereof;

WHEREAS, the Contractor agreed in the Grant Agreement to maintain the project as described in the Grant Application;

WHEREAS, the Contractor by Resolution desires to enter into this Agreement and authorizes its officers to do so.

NOW THEREFORE, herein and in Exhibit "1", the Grant Memorandum of Agreement, the parties covenant and agree as follows:

- A. The Contractor shall maintain the project in a responsible manner and with due care in accordance with the below listed Project Standards for the property at the following location:
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Specifically, the Contractor accepts the below listed responsibilities and duties:

- (1) All planting stock or replacement must be Florida Grade #1 or better.
- (2) Proper watering and proper fertilization of all trees/plants.
- (3) Keeping trees/plants as free as practicable from disease and harmful insects;
- (4) Proper mulching of trees and/or planting beds;
- (5) Keeping the premises free of weeds;
- (6) Mowing and/or cutting grasses to the proper length;
- (7) Proper pruning of all trees which includes; removing dead or disease parts of trees or pruning such parts thereof which present a hazard;

- (8) Removing and replacing dead or diseased trees/plants in their entirety, or removing and replacing those that fall below original Project Standards.
- (9) Following the Planting and Maintenance Guidelines as included herein.

The Contractor agrees to repair, or remove and replace at its own expense all or part of the project that falls below Project Standards. In the event any part or parts of the project, including all plants, must be removed and replaced for whatever reason, then they shall be replaced with the same grade, size and specification as provided in the original plans for the project. Furthermore, the Contractor shall keep litter removed from the project area. The above named functions to be performed by the Contractor shall be subject to periodic inspections by the Department. It is the intent of the parties that the Contractor shall be the owner of the planting and other installations included and stipulated in the grant application comprising the project.

- B. The terms of this Agreement commence on the date of Certification of Acceptance and continue for a period of three (3) years.
- C. In the event this Agreement is terminated in accordance with the provisions provided in Exhibit 1 then the Contractor shall refund to the Department a pro-rated portion of the grant award based upon the following schedule:
 - (1) If this agreement is terminated within one year of this agreement, 75 percent of the grant award;
 - (2) If this agreement is terminated during the second year of this agreement, 50 percent of the grant award;
 - (3) If this agreement is terminated during the third year of this agreement, 25 percent of the grant award.
- D. This Agreement, together with the Urban and Community Forestry Grant Memorandum of Agreement, embodies the entire agreement and understanding between the parties hereto and there are no other agreements or understandings, oral or written, with reference to the subject matter hereof that are not superseded hereby.

Signed by parties to this agreement:

**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND
CONSUMER SERVICES**

CONTRACTOR

Signature

Signature

Title

Title

Date

Date

EXHIBIT A

PLANTING AND MAINTENANCE GUIDELINES

A. Planting

Site factors which influence long-term survivability should be considered: overhead and underground utilities, sidewalks, sign conflicts, traffic visibility, light poles, right-of-way or site improvements, size of planting space/site, etc.

All planting stock or replacement stock must be Florida Grade #1 or better.

All synthetic or non-biodegradable material such as nylon rope, synthetic wrap, treated burlap, etc. must be removed from the root ball before planting. All biodegradable material should be removed from the upper 1/3 of the root ball. Precautions should be taken to eliminate any material from extending above the soil surface where it can act as a wick and dry the surrounding soil.

If trees are planted with wire baskets around the root ball, it is recommended that the top two tiers of wire be cut and removed after the root ball is set in the planting hole.

The planting hole should be at least 3-5 times the diameter of the root ball (where possible) and the same depth as the root ball.

Position the tree or palm in the center of the planting hole with the tree's root flare at or within two inches of the surrounding soil surface.

Backfill with soil from the planting site, if it is not contaminated. All large rocks should be removed. When the hole is half full, slowly water to saturate the soil and remove air pockets, then continue to fill the hole with soil. It is not recommended that large amounts of organic matter be incorporated into the backfill. Rake the soil evenly around the entire planting area.

Water thoroughly to remove air pockets, secure the soil around the roots, and provide nourishment.

B. Mulching

Mulch an area at least three times the diameter of the root ball to a depth of 2-4" with wood chips, bark mulch, shredded mulch, leaves or pine needles. Keep the mulch several inches away from the tree or palm trunk.

Replenish mulch as it decomposes maintaining a 2-4" layer over the life of the project.

C. Staking

Stake only if necessary; for example, if the tree or palm will not stand on its own due to potential vandalism or strong winds.

Use flexible materials such as strapping or commercially available ties that give as the tree diameter increases and as the tree moves. Biodegradable material is recommended.

Do not use wire even if the wire is inside rubber hosing.

Stakes and ties should remain on the trees no longer than one year to avoid girdling.

D. Pruning

At the time of planting, only dead, damaged, rubbing or cross branches or fronds should be removed.

Remove sucker sprouts from the base of the tree after planting.

Corrective/structural pruning can begin approximately one year after planting. Do not remove more than 1/4 of the live crown during one growing season.

E. Watering

Follow the standard IFAS watering schedule for new tree plantings. Slow deep watering is recommended.

Additional water may be needed during hot or dry periods.

As tree or palm growth progresses, be sure to water outward (away from the trunk) to the surrounding soil area. This will promote the outward growth and spread of roots.

Various species of trees or palms and/or soil types may require varied degrees of watering. Soil moisture and tree health should be monitored and irrigation adjusted accordingly. Non-irrigated sites need to be monitored more closely.

F. Fertilizing

Begin a fertilization program within the first year of planting. Broadcast fertilizing or fertilizer plugs/stakes are recommended.

Fertilize lightly after the first year using a balanced fertilizer (rates should be based on the size of the tree or palm and any special nutrient requirements).
If micronutrient deficiencies are suspected, have a soil test completed and supplement the fertilization program accordingly.

Original Contract

FLORIDA FOREST SERVICE
(850) 488-4274



THE CONNER BUILDING
3125 CONNER BOULEVARD
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32399-1650

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES
COMMISSIONER ADAM H. PUTNAM

December 12, 2011

Ms. Emily McCord
Town of Southwest Ranches
13400 Griffin Road
Southwest Ranches, Florida 33330

RE: Contract Number 18047

Dear Ms. McCord:

Enclosed is your copy of the executed contract between your organization and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call me at (850)922-5832.

Sincerely,

Adam H. Putnam
Commissioner of Agriculture

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kelly Boutwell".

Kelly Boutwell
Florida Forest Service

Enclosures (1)

EXHIBIT 1URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY (U&CF)
GRANT MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement, made and entered into this the 7 day of December, 2011 by and between the DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, State of Florida, hereinafter called the DEPARTMENT and the Town of Southwest Ranches, hereinafter called the CONTRACTOR.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the DEPARTMENT desires to increase the application of the principles of urban and community forestry by awarding funds to the CONTRACTOR for the specific project set forth in grant application Number 11-39, included herein as Exhibit A and by reference made a part hereof:

WHEREAS, the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number is 10.664;

WHEREAS, the six digit Department of Management Services' class/group code commodity catalog control number is 991-365.

WHEREAS, the DEPARTMENT and the CONTRACTOR are of the opinion that the citizens of the state would benefit from the implementation of urban and community forestry projects that improve our communities through the proper care of trees and related plant materials;

WHEREAS, the CONTRACTOR by Resolution No. 2011-039, dated March 10, 2011, has indicated its support of the grant application and authorized its officers to execute this Agreement on its behalf;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements contained herein agree as follows:

- A. Failure by the CONTRACTOR to sign and return this agreement, within 60 days upon receipt of the agreement, shall constitute forfeiture of the award.
- B. The contract is valid upon execution through January 31, 2013.
- C. The CONTRACTOR has estimated the project cost to be \$16,000 as shown on the grant application budget sheet attached as Exhibit B. The DEPARTMENT agrees to reimburse to the CONTRACTOR the total sum of \$8,000 or fifty percent (50%) of the final approved project costs, whichever is less (the "Grant Amount"). The Grant Amount is limited to only those items which are directly related to this project as described in Exhibits "A" and "B". Project costs for which the applicant has already received reimbursement from any other source are not eligible for funding under this grant.
- D. The CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain plant materials established as a part of the project for a period of three years and enter into an agreement which designates and sets forth the duties and responsibilities of the parties in maintaining the project.
- E. The project to be performed by the CONTRACTOR shall be subject to periodic inspections by the DEPARTMENT. The CONTRACTOR shall not change or deviate from the project without written approval by the DEPARTMENT.

- F. The CONTRACTOR agrees to submit to the DEPARTMENT an interim report (**Attachment H**) on project accomplishments **quarterly** (March 31, 2012, June 30, 2012, September 30, 2012, December 31, 2012, etc.). Failure to submit a required report or submission of an unsatisfactory report is sufficient grounds for termination of this agreement.
- G. Reimbursements can be made on a quarterly basis, if requested. **No advance payments will be provided.** Applicants must submit a completed reimbursement summary sheet (**Attachment G**) to the DEPARTMENT with sufficient attachments to verify the claims made. These may include invoices, receipts, canceled checks, payroll log sheets, etc. No more than 75 percent of the grant amount will be paid to the CONTRACTOR prior to the submission of a completed Certification of Acceptance endorsed by the DEPARTMENT.

The final payment shall be made once the following documents are received:

- (1) Certification of Acceptance endorsed by a Florida Forest Service official.
- (2) Final Reimbursement Summary Sheet with attached backup documentation.
- (3) Brief narrative summarizing project accomplishment.
- (4) News release to be submitted to a local publication crediting the U.S. Forest Service for providing funding.
- (5) Letter of appreciation to the local congressional representative.

For installed plant materials, a sixty (60) day grow-in-period will be required after project completion. Certification of Acceptance by the DEPARTMENT may be requested sixty (60) days after project completion.

- H. The CONTRACTOR must submit the final claim for reimbursement to the DEPARTMENT on or before March 1, 2013.
- I. The CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that public use of all reports or other printed material, videos, audio recordings, films and photographs produced as part of this project shall not be restricted under the copyright laws of the United States of America. All products (brochures, signs, videos, etc.) funded by the Urban and Community Forestry Grant must display a statement that the material has been prepared using Urban and Community Forestry grant funds received through the USDA. Forest Service.

The CONTRACTOR must provide the following quantifiable, measurable, and verifiable units of Deliverables (Deliverable) which must be received and accepted in writing by the Contract Manager before payment. These deliverables are directly related to the Scope of Work specifying minimum levels of service to be performed and criteria for evaluating the successful completion of each deliverable. See Exhibit B (Budget)

Intellectual property is subject to the following additional provisions:

- A. Anything by whatsoever designation it may be known, that is produced by, or developed in connection with this contract, shall become the exclusive property of the DEPARTMENT and may be copyrighted, patented or otherwise restricted as provided by Florida or federal law. Neither the CONTRACTOR nor any individual employed under this contract shall have any proprietary interest in the product.
- B. With respect to each Deliverable that constitutes a work of authorship within the subject matter and scope of U.S. Copyright Law, 17 U.S.C. Sections 102-105, such work shall be a "work for hire" as defined in 17 U.S.C. Section 101 and all copyrights subsisting in such work for hire shall be owned exclusively by the DEPARTMENT.
- C. In the event it is determined as a matter of law that any such work is not a "work for hire," CONTRACTOR shall immediately assign to the DEPARTMENT all copyrights subsisting therein for the consideration set forth in the contract and with no additional compensation.
- D. The foregoing shall not apply to any pre-existing software, or other work of authorship used by CONTRACTOR to create a Deliverable but which exists as work independent of the Deliverable, unless the pre-existing software or work was developed by Contractor pursuant to a previous Contract with the Department or a purchase by the Department under a State Term Contract.

Section 215.422, Florida Statutes, provides that agencies have five (5) working days to inspect and approve goods and services, unless bid specifications or the purchase order specifies otherwise. With the exception of payments to health care providers for hospital, medical, or other health care services, if payment is not available within 40 days, measured from the latter of the date the invoice is received or the goods or services are received, inspected and approved, a separate interest penalty set by the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 55.03, Florida Statutes, will be due and payable in addition to the invoice amount. To obtain the applicable interest rate, please contact the Agency's Fiscal Section at (850) 617-7200 or Purchasing Office at (850) 617-7181.

Payments to health care providers for hospitals, medical or other health care services, shall be made not more than 35 days from the date eligibility for payment is determined, and the daily interest rate is .03333 percent.

Transaction Fee: CONTRACTORS shall be pre-qualified as meeting mandatory requirements and qualifications and shall remit fees pursuant to section 287.057(22), F.S. and any rules implementing section 287.057, F.S.

Invoices returned to a CONTRACTOR due to preparation errors will result in a payment delay. Invoice payment requirements do not start until a properly completed invoice is provided to the DEPARTMENT.

Bills for fees or other compensation for services or expenses shall be submitted in detail sufficient for a proper pre-audit and post-audit thereof. **Expenses associated with travel and per diem are not eligible.**

Purchases of \$2,500 to \$25,000 shall be carried out documenting two or more written quotations or written record of telephone quotations or informal bids to be opened upon receipt, whenever practical. Competitive sealed bidding is required for all purchases exceeding \$25,000. Justification must be provided for a sole source award or for an award to a vendor other than the vendor submitting the lowest bid or quote.

A Vendor Ombudsman has been established within the Department of Financial Services. The duties of this individual include acting as an advocate for Entities (Subrecipients) who may be experiencing problems in obtaining timely payment(s) from a state agency. The Vendor Ombudsman may be contacted at (850) 413-5516 or by calling the Department of Financial Services' Hotline, 1-877-693-5236.

The DEPARTMENT may terminate this contract at any time in the event of the default or failure of the CONTRACTOR to fulfill any of its obligations hereunder. Prior to the exercise of any remedy provided for herein, the DEPARTMENT shall provide thirty (30) calendar days written notice of default and shall provide the CONTRACTOR the opportunity to cure such failure or default within said thirty (30) day period. Upon the failure or inability to cure, the DEPARTMENT shall have all rights and remedies provided at law or in equity, including without limitation the following:

- A. Temporarily withhold cash payments pending correction of the deficiency by the CONTRACTOR.
- B. Disallow all or part of the cost of the services not in compliance.
- C. Wholly or partly suspend or terminate this contract.

The DEPARTMENT shall have the right of unilateral cancellation for refusal by the CONTRACTOR to allow public access to all documents, papers, letters or other material made or received by the CONTRACTOR in conjunction with the contract, unless the records are exempt from s. 24(a) of Article I of the State Constitution and s. 119.07(1), Florida Statutes.

In the event this Agreement is terminated before the DEPARTMENT has paid the CONTRACTOR the entire Grant Amount, then the DEPARTMENT agrees to pay the CONTRACTOR the entire Grant amount, if the project has been completed. If the project has not been completed, the DEPARTMENT shall pay to the CONTRACTOR a percentage of the Grant amount equal to the percentage of the project's completion.

Extension of a contract for contractual services shall be in writing for a single period only, not to exceed six (6) months and shall be subject to the same terms and conditions set forth in the initial contract. There shall be only one extension of a contract unless the failure to meet the criteria set forth in the contract for completion of the contract is due to events beyond the control of the CONTRACTOR. If initially competitively procured, contracts for contractual services may be renewed on a yearly basis for no more than three (3) years, or for a period no longer than the original contract, whichever period is longer. Renewal of a contract for contractual services shall be in writing and shall be subject to the same terms and conditions set forth in the initial contract. Renewals shall be contingent upon satisfactory performance evaluations by the DEPARTMENT. Renewal costs may not be charged by the CONTRACTOR.

It is mutually understood and agreed that this contract is:

- A. Subject to the provisions of Section 287.058, Florida Statutes, and the State of Florida's performance and obligation to pay under this contract is contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Legislature as provided in Section 287.0582, Florida Statutes.
- B. Subject to the approval of the State Chief Financial Officer (Department of Financial Services).

have an audit conducted in accordance with the provision of Section 215.97, F.S., the cost of the audit must be paid from the Nonstate entity's resources (i.e., the cost of such an audit must be paid from the Recipient's resources obtained from other than state entities).

F. Each state awarding agency shall:

- (1) Provide to a Recipient, information needed by the Recipient to comply with the requirements of Section 215.97, F.S.
- (2) Require the Recipient, as a condition of receiving state financial assistance, to allow the state awarding agency, the Chief Financial Officer, and the Auditor General access to the Recipient's records and the Recipient's independent auditor's working papers as necessary for complying with the requirements of Section 215.97, F.S. The Recipient is required to retain sufficient records demonstrating its compliance with the terms of this agreement for a period of three years from the date the audit report is issued, and shall allow the DEPARTMENT or its designee, access to such records upon request.
- (3) Notify the Recipient that Section 215.97, F.S., does not limit the authority of the state awarding agency to conduct or arrange for the conduct of additional audits or evaluations of state financial assistance or limit the authority of any state agency Inspector General, the Auditor General, or any other state official.
- (4) Be provided by Recipient one copy of each financial reporting package prepared in accordance with the requirements of Section 215.97, F.S. The financial reporting package means the non-state entities financial reports, management letter, auditee's written responses or corrective action plan, correspondence on the follow-up of prior years corrective actions taken, and such other information determined by the Auditor General to be necessary and consistent with the purposes of Section 215.97, F.S. Copies of the financial reporting package required by this agreement shall be submitted by or on behalf of the Recipient directly to each of the following:
 - (a) The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
Division of Administration
509 Mayo Building
407 South Calhoun Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0800
 - (b) The Auditor General's Office at the following address:
State of Florida Auditor General
Room 401, Claude Pepper Building
111 West Madison Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1450

G. Any reports, management letters, or other information required to be submitted to the DEPARTMENT pursuant to this agreement shall be submitted timely in accordance with Florida Statutes, and Chapter 10.550 (local governmental entities) or 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General, as applicable.

It is mutually understood and agreed that if this contract disburses grants and aids appropriations, it is:

Subject to the requirements of Section 216.347, Florida Statutes, a state agency, a water management district, or the judicial branch may not authorize or make any disbursement of grants and aids appropriations pursuant to a contract or grant to any person or organization unless the terms of the grant or contract prohibit the expenditure of funds for the purpose of lobbying the Legislature, the judicial branch, or a state agency.

The following provisions of A through I are not applicable to procurement contracts used to buy goods or services from vendors, but are only applicable to a CONTRACTOR subject to the Florida Single Audit Act.

- A. There are uniform state audit requirements for state financial assistance provided by state agencies to Nonstate entities to carry out state projects in accordance with and subject to requirements of Section 215.97, Florida Statutes (F.S.), which may be applicable to and binding upon Recipient. Nonstate entity means a local governmental entity, nonprofit organization, or for-profit organization that receives state resources. Recipient means a Nonstate entity that receives state financial assistance directly from a state awarding agency.
- B. In the event that the Recipient expends a total amount of state financial assistance equal to or in excess of \$500,000 in any fiscal year of such Recipient, the Recipient must have a state single or project-specific audit conducted for such fiscal year in accordance with Section 215.97, F.S., applicable rules of the Department of Financial Services; and Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) or 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General. Exhibit 2 to this agreement indicates state financial assistance awarded through this Department resource by this agreement. In determining the state financial assistance expended in its fiscal year, the Recipient shall consider all sources of state financial assistance, including state financial assistance received from this DEPARTMENT resource, other state agencies, and other Nonstate agencies. State financial assistance does not include Federal direct or pass-through awards and resources received by a Nonstate entity for Federal program matching requirements.
- C. Audits conducted pursuant to Section 215.97, F.S., shall be: (1) performed annually, and conducted by independent auditors in accordance with auditing standards as stated in Chapters 10.550 (local governmental entities) or 10.650 (nonprofit and for-profit organizations), Rules of the Auditor General.
- D. Regardless of the amount of the state financial assistance, the provisions of Section 215.97, F.S., do not exempt a Nonstate entity from compliance with provisions of law relating to maintaining records concerning state financial assistance to such Nonstate entity or allowing access and examination of those records by the state awarding agency, the Chief Financial Officer, or the Auditor General.
- E. If the Recipient expends less than \$500,000 in state financial assistance in its fiscal year, an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of Section 215.97, Florida Statutes, is not required. If the Nonstate entity does not meet the threshold requiring the state single audit, such Nonstate entity must meet terms and conditions specified in this written agreement with the state awarding agency. In the event that the Recipient expends less than \$500,000 in state financial assistance in its fiscal year and elects to

- H. The Recipient shall maintain sufficient records demonstrating its compliance with the terms of this agreement for a period of five (5) years from the date the audit report is issued, and shall allow the DEPARTMENT, or its designee, Chief Financial Officer, or Auditor General access to such records upon request. The Recipient shall ensure that audit working papers are made available to the DEPARTMENT, or its designee, Chief Financial Officer, or Auditor General upon request for a period of five (5) years from the date the audit report is issued, unless extended in writing by the DEPARTMENT.
- I. The Recipient shall be required to ensure expenditures of state financial assistance be in compliance with laws, rules, and regulations applicable to expenditures of state funds, including, but not limited to, the Reference Guide for State Expenditures (DFS).
- J. The Recipient agrees that this agreement may be charged only with allowable costs resulting from obligations incurred during the term of this agreement.
- K. The Recipient agrees that any balances of unobligated cash that have been advanced or paid that is not authorized to be retained for direct program costs in a subsequent period must be refunded to the state.
- L. In accordance with Section 215.971, F.S., for an agency agreement that provides state financial assistance to a Recipient or Subrecipient, as those terms are defined in s. 215.97, or that provides federal financial assistance to a Subrecipient, as defined by applicable United States Office of Management and Budget circulars, the agreement shall include:
 - a. A provision specifying a scope of work that clearly establishes the tasks that the Recipient or Subrecipient is required to perform; and
 - b. A provision dividing the agreement into quantifiable units of deliverables that must be received and accepted in writing by the agency before payment. Each deliverable must be directly related to the scope of work and must specify the required minimum level of service to be performed and the criteria for evaluating the successful completion of each deliverable.

The following provisions of A through I are applicable regarding the administration of resources provided by the DEPARTMENT to the Recipient of Federal Funds. Those provisions are applicable if the Recipient is a state or local government or a nonprofit organization as defined in OMB Circular A-133, as revised.

- A. In the event that the Recipient expends \$500,000 or more in Federal awards in its fiscal year, the Recipient must have a single or program-specific audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of OMB Circular A-133, as revised. Exhibit 2 to this agreement indicates Federal resources awarded through this DEPARTMENT by this agreement. In determining the Federal awards expended in its fiscal year, the Recipient shall consider all sources of Federal awards, including Federal resources received from this DEPARTMENT. The determination of amounts of federal awards expended should be in accordance with the guidelines established by OMB Circular A-133, as revised. An audit of the Recipient conducted by the Auditor General in accordance with provisions of OMB Circular A-133, as revised, will meet these requirements.

- B. In connection with these audit requirements, the Recipient shall fulfill the requirements relative to auditee responsibilities as provided in Subpart C of OMB Circular A-133, as revised.
- C. If the Recipient expends less than \$500,000 in Federal awards in its fiscal year, an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of OMB Circular A-133, as revised, is not required. In the event that the Recipient expends less than \$500,000 in federal awards in its fiscal year and elects to have an audit conducted in accordance with provisions of OMB Circular A-133, as revised, the cost of the audit must be paid from the non-federal resources (i.e., the cost of such an audit must be paid from the Recipient resources obtained from other than Federal entities).
- D. Copies of reporting packages for audits conducted in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, as revised, and required by this agreement shall be submitted when required by Section .320(d), OMB Circular A-133, as revised, by or on behalf of the Recipient directly to each of the following:
- (a) The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
Division of Administration
509 Mayo Building
407 South Calhoun Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0800
 - (b) The Federal Audit Clearinghouse designated in OMB Circular A-133, as revised (the number of copies required by Sections .320(d)(1) and (2), OMB Circular A-133, as revised, should be submitted to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse) at the following address:

Federal Audit Clearinghouse
Bureau of the Census
1201 East 10th Street
Jeffersonville, IN 47132
 - (c) Other federal agencies and pass-through entities in accordance with Sections .320(c) and (f), OMB Circular A-133, as revised.
- E. Pursuant to Section .320(f), OMB Circular A-133, as revised, the Recipient shall submit a copy of the reporting package described in Section .320(c), OMB Circular A-133, as revised, and any management letter issued by the Auditor, to the DEPARTMENT at the following address:
- The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
509 Mayo Building
407 South Calhoun Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0800
- F. Any reports, management letters, or other information required to be submitted to the DEPARTMENT of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to this agreement shall be submitted timely in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, as revised.

- G. Recipients, when submitting financial reporting packages to the DEPARTMENT for audits done in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, as revised, should indicate the date that the reporting package was delivered to the Recipient in correspondence accompanying the reporting package.
- H. The Recipient shall maintain sufficient records demonstrating its compliance with the terms of this agreement for a period of five (5) years from the date the audit report is issued, and shall allow the DEPARTMENT, or its designee, Chief Financial Officer, or Auditor General access to such records upon request. The Recipient shall ensure that audit working papers are made available to the DEPARTMENT, or its designee, Chief Financial Officer, or Auditor General upon request for a period of five (5) years from the date the audit report is issued, unless extended in writing by the DEPARTMENT.
- I. In accordance with Section 215.971, F.S., for an agency agreement that provides state financial assistance to a recipient or Subrecipient, as those terms are defined in s. 215.97, or that provides federal financial assistance to a Subrecipient, as defined by applicable United States Office of Management and Budget circulars, the agreement shall include:
 - a. A provision specifying a scope of work that clearly establishes the tasks that the Recipient or Subrecipient is required to perform; and
 - b. A provision dividing the agreement into quantifiable units of deliverables that must be received and accepted in writing by the agency before payment. Each deliverable must be directly related to the scope of work and must specify the required minimum level of service to be performed and the criteria for evaluating the successful completion of each deliverable.

It is expressly understood and agreed that any articles that are the subject of, or required to carry out, this contract shall be purchased from a nonprofit agency for the blind or for the severely handicapped that is qualified pursuant to Chapter 413, Florida Statutes, in the same manner and under the same procedures set forth in Section 413.036(1) and (2), Florida Statutes; and for purposes of this contract the person, firm, or other business entity carrying out the provisions of this contract shall be deemed to be substituted for the state agency insofar as dealings with such qualified nonprofit agency are concerned. Available products, pricing and delivery information may be obtained by contacting: RESPECT of Florida, 2475 Apalachee Parkway, Suite 205, Tallahassee, Florida 32301-4946, telephone number (850) 877-4816 and fax number (850) 942-7832.

It is expressly understood and agreed that any articles which are the subject of, or required to carry out, this contract shall be purchased from the corporation identified under Chapter 946, Florida Statutes, in the same manner and under the same procedures set forth in Section 946.515(2) and (4), Florida Statutes; and for the purposes of this contract the person, firm, or other business entity carrying out the provisions of this contract shall be deemed to be substituted for this Agency insofar as dealings with such corporation are concerned. The "corporation identified" is Prison Rehabilitative Industries and Diversified Enterprises, Incorporated. Available products, pricing and delivery schedules may be obtained by contacting: PRIDE of Florida, 12425 28th Street, North, 3rd Floor, St. Petersburg, Florida 33716, telephone number (727) 572-1987.

The CONTRACTOR is informed that a person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid on an agreement to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on an agreement with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier,


Mr. Charlie Marcus
Forest Management Bureau
3125 Conner Boulevard, C-25
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1650

All notices, demands, requests or other instruments to the CONTRACTOR shall be addressed to:

Ms. Emily McCord
Town of Southwest Ranches
6589 S.W. 160th Avenue
Southwest Ranches, Florida 33331

Signed by parties to this agreement:

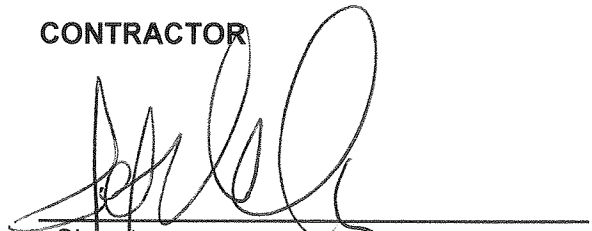
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CONSUMER SERVICES**


Signature


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subcontractor, or consultant under an agreement with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

The CONTRACTOR shall not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, religion, color, national origin, age or disability and shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations related thereto, including without limitation, the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 USC 12101 et. Seq.); Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 USC 795); and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 USC 6101-6107).

The CONTRACTOR is informed that the employment of unauthorized aliens by any Contractor is considered a violation of Section 274A (e) of the Immigration and Nationalization Act. If the CONTRACTOR knowingly employs unauthorized aliens, such violation shall be cause for unilateral cancellation of this agreement.

The CONTRACTOR is informed that an entity or affiliate who has been placed in the discriminatory vendor list may not submit a bid on a contract to provide goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not award or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity.

In accordance with Florida Statute 768.28, the CONTRACTOR Covenants and agrees that it shall indemnify and hold harmless the DEPARTMENT and all of the DEPARTMENT'S officers, agents and employees from any claim, action, neglect or omission by the CONTRACTOR during the performance of the Agreements, whether direct or indirect, and whether any person or property to which the DEPARTMENT or said parties may be subject, except that neither the CONTRACTOR nor any of its sub-contractors shall be liable under this paragraph for damages arising out of injury or damage to persons or property directly caused or resulting from the sole negligence of the DEPARTMENT or any of its officers, agents or employees.

In the event that two or more documents combine to form this agreement between the parties, including future amendments and addenda, and in the event that there are contradictory or conflicting clauses or requirements in these documents, the provisions of the document(s) prepared by the DEPARTMENT shall be controlling.

All contracts entered into by the DEPARTMENT or any Division or Bureau thereof, are and shall be controlled by Florida law, contrary provisions notwithstanding.

In the event that any clause or requirement of this agreement is contradictory to, or conflicts with the requirements of Florida law, including, but not limited to requirements regarding contracts with Florida's governmental agencies, the offending clause or requirement shall be without force and effect and the requirements of the Florida Statutes and rules promulgated thereunder on the same subject shall substitute for that clause or requirement and be binding on all parties to this contract.

As applicable under Florida Statute 768.28, each party will be liable under this paragraph for damages arising out of injury or damage to persons or property directly caused or resulting from the negligence of such party or any of its officers, agents or employees.

All notices, demands, requests or other instruments to the DEPARTMENT shall be addressed to:

EXHIBIT - 2

FEDERAL RESOURCES AWARDED TO THE RECIPIENT PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING:

NOTE: If the resources awarded to the recipient represent more than one Federal program, provide the same information shown below for each Federal program and show total Federal resources awarded.

Federal Program (list Federal agency, Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance title and number) –
U.S. Department of Agriculture/U.S. Forest Service, CFDA #10.664 - Cooperative Forestry Assistance
\$ 8,000.00

COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO THE FEDERAL RESOURCES AWARDED PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

NOTE: If the resources awarded to the recipient represent more than one Federal program, list applicable compliance requirements for each Federal program in the same manner as shown below.

*Federal Program:
List applicable compliance requirements as follows:*

1. *First applicable compliance requirement (e.g., what services/purposes resources must be used for).*
2. *Second applicable compliance requirement (e.g., eligibility requirements for recipients of the resources).*
3. *Etc.*

NOTE: Instead of listing the specific compliance requirements as shown above, the State awarding agency may elect to use language that requires the recipient to comply with the requirements of applicable provisions of specific laws, rules, regulations, etc. For example, for Federal Program 1, the language may state that the recipient must comply with a specific law(s), rule(s), or regulation(s) that pertains to how the awarded resources must be used or how eligibility determinations are to be made. The State awarding agency, if practical, may want to attach a copy of the specific law, rule, or regulation referred to.

STATE RESOURCES AWARDED TO THE RECIPIENT PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING:

MATCHING RESOURCES FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS:

NOTE: If the resources awarded to the recipient for matching represent more than one Federal program, provide the same information shown below for each Federal program and show the total State resources awarded for matching.

*Federal Program (list Federal agency, Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance title and number) –
_____ \$ (amount)*

SUBJECT TO SECTION 215.97, FLORIDA STATUTES:

NOTE: If the resources awarded to the recipient represent more than one State project, provide the same information shown below for each State project and show total state financial assistance awarded that is subject to Section 215.97, Florida Statutes.

*State Project (list State awarding agency, Catalog of State Financial Assistance title and number) –
_____ \$ (amount)*

DFS-A2-CL
July 2005
Rule 69I-5.006, FAC

COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO STATE RESOURCES AWARDED PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

NOTE: List applicable compliance requirements in the same manner as illustrated above for Federal resources. For matching resources provided by the Department of "ABC" for Federal programs, the requirements might be similar to the requirements for the applicable Federal programs. Also, to the extent that different requirements pertain to different amounts of the non-Federal resources, there may be more than one grouping (i.e., 1, 2, 3, etc.) listed under this category.

NOTE: Section .400(d) of OMB Circular A-133, as revised, and Section 215.97(5), Florida Statutes, require that the information about Federal Programs and State Projects included in Exhibit 1 be provided to the recipient.

ATTACHMENT G

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**REIMBURSEMENT SUMMARY SHEET
URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY GRANT PROGRAM**

Name of Grantee: _____		Contract No.: _____	
Item #	Descriptions of Items or Services Purchased (Attach copies of canceled checks, receipts and invoices)	Grant Amount	Match Amount
Totals		_____	_____

Remit payment to: _____

Note: Two or more written quotes, or a written record of telephone quotes, must be obtained (and documented) for all individual purchases/expenditures over \$2,500 and less than \$25,000. Should verbal quotes be received, name and address of company and dollar amount quoted shall be documented in writing. Sealed bids are required for all purchases over \$25,000.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____ Date _____
Grantee

ATTACHMENT H

**Florida Florida Forest Service
Urban Forestry Grant Project
Interim Status Report**

Return to:
Kelly Boutwell
3125 Conner Blvd, Suite R
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1650
Fax: 850-921-8305

Project Status as of: _____
(Date)

DOF Contract Number _____
Grant Recipient Name _____
Project Name _____
Name/Phone No. of Project Manager _____

Type of Entity (check one)

Local Government Non-Profit Organization
Educational Institution

	YES	NO
Has the project work begun?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is the project on schedule to be completed by the end of the contract term?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have any claims been submitted for reimbursement?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has payment been received for claims submitted?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do you require assistance form a DOF forester on this project?*	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

*If yes, please indicate the type of assistance you need:

Technical Assistance on Project Site Technical Assistance on Urban Program
Technical Assistance on Claim Process Certification of Completion/Acceptance

Prepared By: _____
(Print Name)

(Signature)

URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY GRANT
MAINTENANCE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement, made and entered into this the 7 day of December, 2011, by and between the DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, State of Florida, hereinafter called the Department and the Town of Southwest Ranches, hereinafter called the Contractor.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Department desires to increase the general level of knowledge of the principles of urban and community forestry by awarding funds to the Contractor for the establishment of a demonstration tree planting project as outlined in the Urban and Community Forestry grant application Number 11-39 and Grant Memorandum of Agreement (the Grant Agreement) attached hereto as Exhibit "1" and by reference made a part hereof;

WHEREAS, the Contractor agreed in the Grant Agreement to maintain the project as described in the Grant Application;

WHEREAS, the Contractor by Resolution desires to enter into this Agreement and authorizes its officers to do so.

NOW THEREFORE, herein and in Exhibit "1", the Grant Memorandum of Agreement, the parties covenant and agree as follows:

- A. The Contractor shall maintain the project in a responsible manner and with due care in accordance with the below listed Project Standards for the property at the following location:

Trailside Park; Equestrian Park; Rolling Oaks Park; SW 148th Avenue right-of-way; SW 178th Avenue right-of-way.

Specifically, the Contractor accepts the below listed responsibilities and duties:

- (1) All planting stock or replacement must be Florida Grade #1 or better.
- (2) Proper watering and proper fertilization of all trees/plants.
- (3) Keeping trees/plants as free as practicable from disease and harmful insects;
- (4) Proper mulching of trees and/or planting beds;
- (5) Keeping the premises free of weeds;
- (6) Mowing and/or cutting grasses to the proper length;
- (7) Proper pruning of all trees which includes; removing dead or disease parts of trees or (ii) pruning such parts thereof which present a hazard;
- (8) Removing and replacing dead or diseased trees/plants in their entirety, or removing and replacing those that fall below original Project Standards.

(9) Following the Planting and Maintenance Guidelines as included herein.

The Contractor agrees to repair, or remove and replace at its own expense all or part of the project that falls below Project Standards. In the event any part or parts of the project, including all plants, must be removed and replaced for whatever reason, then they shall be replaced with the same grade, size and specification as provided in the original plans for the project. Furthermore, the Contractor shall keep litter removed from the project area. The above named functions to be performed by the Contractor shall be subject to periodic inspections by the Department. It is the intent of the parties that the Contractor shall be the owner of the planting and other installations included and stipulated in the grant application comprising the project.

B. The terms of this Agreement commence on the date of Certification of Acceptance and continue for a period of three (3) years.

C. In the event this Agreement is terminated in accordance with the provisions provided in Exhibit 1, then the Contractor shall refund to the Department a pro-rated portion of the grant award based upon the following schedule:

- (1) If this agreement is terminated within one year of this agreement, 75 percent of the grant award;
- (2) If this agreement is terminated during the second year of this agreement, 50 percent of the grant award;
- (3) If this agreement is terminated during the third year of this agreement, 25 percent of the grant award.

D. This Agreement, together with the Urban and Community Forestry Grant Memorandum of Agreement, embodies the entire agreement and understanding between the parties hereto and there are no other agreements or understandings, oral or written, with reference to the subject matter hereof that are not superseded hereby.

Signed by parties to this agreement:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND
CONSUMER SERVICES



Signature

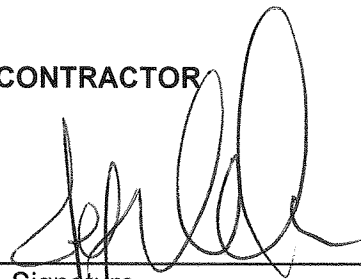


Title



Date

CONTRACTOR



Signature



Title



Date

PLANTING AND MAINTENANCE GUIDELINES

A. Planting

Site factors which influence long-term survivability should be considered: overhead and underground utilities, sidewalks, sign conflicts, traffic visibility, light poles, right-of-way or site improvements, size of planting space/site, etc.

All planting stock or replacement stock must be Florida Grade #1 or better.

All synthetic or non-biodegradable material such as nylon rope, synthetic wrap, treated burlap, etc. must be removed from the root ball before planting. All biodegradable material should be removed from the upper 1/3 of the root ball. Precautions should be taken to eliminate any material from extending above the soil surface where it can act as a wick and dry the surrounding soil.

If trees are planted with wire baskets around the root ball, it is recommended that the top two tiers of wire be cut and removed after the root ball is set in the planting hole.

The planting hole should be at least 3-5 times the diameter of the root ball (where possible) and the same depth as the root ball.

Position the tree or palm in the center of the planting hole with the top of the root ball even with the surrounding soil surface.

Backfill with soil from the planting site, if it is not contaminated. All large rocks should be removed. When the hole is half full, slowly water to saturate the soil and remove air pockets, then continue to fill the hole with soil. It is not recommended that large amounts of organic matter be incorporated into the backfill. Rake the soil evenly around the entire planting area.

Water thoroughly to remove air pockets, secure the soil around the roots, and provide nourishment.

B. Mulching

Mulch an area at least three times the diameter of the root ball to a depth of 2-4" with wood chips, bark mulch, shredded mulch, leaves or pine needles. Keep the mulch several inches away from the tree or palm trunk.

Replenish mulch as it decomposes maintaining a 2-4" layer over the life of the project.

C. Staking

Stake only if necessary; for example, if the tree or palm will not stand on its own due to potential vandalism or strong winds.

Use flexible materials such as strapping or commercially available ties that give as the tree diameter increases and as the tree moves. Biodegradable material is recommended.

Do not use wire even if the wire is inside rubber hosing.

Stakes and ties should remain on the trees no longer than one year to avoid girdling.

D. Pruning

At the time of planting, only dead, damaged, rubbing or cross braches or fronds should be removed.

Remove sucker sprouts from the base of the tree after planting.

Corrective/structural pruning can begin approximately one year after planting. Do not remove more than 1/3 of the live crown during one growing season.

E. Watering

Establish a regular watering schedule and follow it. Slow deep watering is recommended.

Additional water may be needed during hot or dry periods.

As tree or palm growth progresses, be sure to water outward (away from the trunk) to the surrounding soil area. This will promote the outward growth and spread of roots.

Various species of trees or palms and/or soil types may require varied degrees of watering. Soil moisture and tree health should be monitored and irrigation adjusted accordingly. Non-irrigated sites need to be monitored more closely.

F. Fertilizing

Begin a fertilization program within the first year of planting. Broadcast fertilizing or fertilizer plugs/stakes are recommended.

Fertilize lightly after the first year using a balanced fertilizer (rates should be based on the size of the tree or palm and any special nutrient requirements).

If micronutrient deficiencies are suspected, have a soil test completed and supplement the fertilization program accordingly.

Attachment D – Project Description

Describe the local community and current urban forestry program, and role of applicant in that program if a non-profit group: The Town of Southwest Ranches is approximately 13 square miles and is home to approximately 8,300 residents. The Town is a rural environment, filled with grazing animals, nurseries, farms, and exquisite and unique scenery and an abundance of wildlife. Our Town was incorporated in 2000 to stop encroaching development and to "preserve our rural lifestyle."

Previous U&CF Grants received by the applicant. When were they implemented and what did they accomplish? The Town obtained a \$12,350 grant in 2006 in the amount of from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Emergency Hurricane Supplemental Urban and Forestry Grant to prune trees. The funds were used to provide structural pruning for 359 mature trees in public right of way that the Town had not previously been able to prune. This improved the structure of the trees and assisted in their proper development. In subsequent years, the trees have been included in the Town's pruning maintenance schedule which provides for follow-up pruning maintenance on a regular schedule.

Describe the goals and objectives of this project: The main goal of this project is to provide structural pruning maintenance for 1,225 native trees the Town has planted located in the following public rights-of-way and Town parks: the Sunshine Ranches Equestrian Park; the Trailside Park; the Rolling Oaks Park; the SW 178 Avenue (Mather Boulevard) right-of-way and the SW 148 Avenue (Volunteer Road) right-of-way. Pruning will improve the trees' structure, reducing defects and potential failures; increase vigor and health, will also provide a platform for tree maintenance awareness and education by providing examples of proper pruning techniques.

Describe how this project will help to develop and improve this program in the long-term: The Town is committed to preserving tree canopy, and has planted hundreds of trees in public areas with focus on Best Management Practices and "Right Tree, Right Place" standards for installation. This project will promote public education and awareness of proper pruning techniques by providing living examples in very visible locations. Promotion of the Project will include newsletter and website articles published before, during and after the pruning project, as well as discussion at Council and Advisory Board Meetings. Volunteer maintenance days coordinated by the Town will also assist in promoting the Best Management Practices for pruning message with instruction provided by licensed experts using examples set by professional work in the program.

Describe why these funds are needed to complete this project: The requested funding will increase the amount of maintenance the Town will be able to perform, by increasing the number of trees to be pruned in 2011 and reducing the number of years between pruning maintenance. A small town with a small tax base needs to seek external sources of funding for these projects.

For a tree planting: Describe what species are being planted and why. How will they be installed and maintained (be brief and concise, but complete): Not Applicable.

What environmental or educational value will the community derive from this project? Southwest Ranches is committed to providing public education on Best Management Practices, Florida Friendly landscaping principles, and "Right Tree, Right Place" standards for installation. This project promotes public education and awareness of proper pruning techniques by providing living examples in visible locations. Newsletter and website publications, discussion at Public Meetings, and staff interaction with the public, which is expected and has in the past increased significantly during the project implementation phase. Volunteer maintenance for the purpose of promoting the Best Management Practices for Pruning message have yielded

ATTACHMENT D

EXHIBIT A

FLORIDA URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY GRANT PROPOSAL FORM 2011

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS: Please complete all items pertaining to the Category Grant for which you are applying. The proposal packet must not exceed thirty (30) one sided pages, including attachments. All attachments must be 8 1/2" X 11", except any attached sketches, plans and maps which must be no larger than 2' X 3' and folded into 8 1/2" X 11". Six (6) copies (one copy with original signatures and five copies) of the proposal packet including the proposal form, the project description and all attachments must be received no later than 2:00 p.m., March 18, 2011, at:

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
Purchasing Office - U&CF - 2011 PROPOSAL
Mayo Building - Room SB-8
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0800
Telephone (850) 617-7181

If you have any questions, please see ATTACHMENT O, "Division of Forestry District/Center Contacts"

PROPOSER INFORMATION (Please Print or Type)

Project Title: Southwest Ranches Community Forestry Maintenance

Proposer Name: Town of Southwest Ranches

Name and Title of Contact Person: Emily McCord, Community Services

Address: 6589 SW 160 Avenue / Southwest Ranches, FL

Zip: 33331

Phone: (954) 434-0008

FEID Number 65-1036656

US Congressional District Number: 20

Is your organization a Non-profit corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes?

Yes No X

If the applicant is a city or county government, does your urban forestry program have the following:

Professional Staff, in-house or contracted. List qualifications such as ISA certification, forestry degree, etc In-House Staff: December Lauretano-Haines, ISA Certified Arborist (#2019-A)

Citizen Tree Advisory Board or Tree Advocacy Group. Describe: Recreation, Forestry and Natural Resources Advisory Board

Urban Tree Inventory or Management Plan, how current?: 2011 Urban Tree Inventory - Public Properties and Rights-of-Way Ordinance 2003-010 Public & Private Lands

Tree Ordinance covering either public or private lands, describe: Tree Preservation and Abuse Ordinance

As the duly authorized representative of the Proposer named above, I hereby certify that all parts of the proposal and required grant information have been read and understood and that all information submitted herein is true and correct.

Authorized Executive Officer: Charles H. Lynn

Title: Town Administrator

Signature: [Handwritten Signature]

Date: March 14, 2011

ATTACHMENT E

BUDGET

EXHIBIT B

Activity: Tree Pruning

Specific Description: Pruning 1,225 trees along public rights-of-way and parks

SUMMARY OF COSTS

(A 50/50 match on behalf of the Proposer is required)

	REQUESTED GRANT \$	LOCAL MATCH \$
	I	II
Contractual costs	<u>\$10,000.00</u> <i>8,000</i>	<u>\$9,000.00</u> <i>7,000</i>
Personnel costs	<u> </u>	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
Travel costs	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Equipment costs	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Supplies costs	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Operating costs	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Tree costs	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Overhead costs	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total Requested Grant (I)	<u>\$10,000.00</u> <i>\$8000</i>	<u> </u>
Total Matching Costs (II)	<u> </u>	<u>\$10,000.00</u> <i>\$8000</i>
Total Program Costs (III)	<u>\$20,000.00</u> <i>\$16,000.00</i>	<u> </u>

Add columns I and II for total III (100%)

50 % Grant request 50 % Local match

A BUDGET, DETAILING ALL COSTS IDENTIFIED ABOVE MUST BE ATTACHED.

PROJECT LOCATION INFORMATION (Please print or type - Complete where applicable)

County Broward County

Describe the Specific Location of the Project: Five Sites: Trailside Park; Equestrian Park; Rolling Oaks Park
SW 148 Avenue right-of-way; SW 178 Avenue right-of-way

Who has responsibility for overseeing Project implementation (name and title):
December Lauretano-Haines, Parks and Recreation Supervisor, ISA Certified Arborist

Who has maintenance responsibility for the Project after completion:
December Lauretano-Haines, Parks and Recreation Supervisor, ISA Certified Arborist

Is the Land Ownership Public or Private?: Public

Name of Landowner: Town of Southwest Ranches

Project Title: Southwest Ranches Community Forestry Maintenance

Applicant Name: Town of Southwest Ranches

Email Address: emccord@swranches.org

a greater interest from residents in seeking professional advice prior to implementing similar maintenance on private land.

What steps have been taken to carry out this project in a cost effectiveness manner? Increased amount of funding provides the opportunity to incorporate more trees in the pruning program. The Town's Arborist will provide professional contract management and will ensure adherence to ANSI standards and Best Management Practices. The program goals for FY 2011 seek to exceed the Town's 2010 commitment of \$14.41 per capita and will provide increased comprehensive annual maintenance for all trees in every location maintained by the Town. The program of maintenance includes fertilization, mulch, removal of invasive exotic species, and planting of native species. The Town's 2010 budget allows for structural pruning maintenance for all trees located on Public property to be pruned once every five years. The 2011 program will increase the funding to allow increased numbers of trees to be pruned each year, thereby reducing this five year interval to four or even three years.

How will this project increase citizen involvement and support for the Community's Urban Forestry program in the long term? What evidence of community support for this project can be produced? Aside from strengthening the Town's message of proper tree maintenance for the general public, the Town has developed strong base of volunteers who have seen beneficial the results of these efforts on the Town's canopy and who are eager to see work done in previous years continue. In addition to providing aid for this project, these volunteers provide much needed promotion for the project through their sense of ownership and contribution to it. This project was approved unanimously by the Town Council as demonstrated by Resolutions 2011- 035 and 2011-039. Support from the Town Council is shown in the local dollars allocated to this effort. The Recreation, Forestry, and Natural Resources Advisory Board also approved this project unanimously at the February 14, 2011 Board meeting. Support letters from the following organizations are also attached to this request for funding: the Town's Recreation, Forestry, and Natural Resources Advisory Board as well as The Aster Knight Parks Foundation, the Sunshine Ranches Homeowner's Association and the Rolling Oaks Civic Association.

How will this project be publicized in the local community? This project will be publicized in the Town's monthly newsletter and on the Town's website. Information about the project will also be disseminated at the Recreation, Forestry, & Natural Resources Advisory Board and Town Council meetings and to local newspapers. The project will also be showcased at the Town's annual Arbor Day celebration.

Tree City USA certification and growth award, last year current? The Town was certified as a Tree City USA community in 2007 and has been successfully recertified each year since. In 2010, the Town achieved its first Tree City USA Growth Award. It is the goal of Southwest Ranches' Community Forestry Program to increase the amount of qualifying Growth Award points in 2011.

Will a Certified Arborist(s) or a graduate forester from an accredited four –year Bachelor of Science in Forestry program oversee this project? If not, who will provide oversight and what are their credentials? Yes, the project will be managed by the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Coordinator / Certified Arborist December Lauretano-Haines, ISA # FL-2019-A).

What new partnerships will the project create or encourage? The project will provide volunteers with a growing sense of ownership and contribution to the Town's Canopy. The Town's new Partnership with Boy Scouts of America troop #224 may also be encouraged to include aspects of education and service for the project.

**ATTACHMENT E (CONTINUED)
BUDGET**

Please note: All proposals must include a detailed itemized budget summary which lists all anticipated expenditures and explains all project costs. Proposals for site specific demonstration tree planting projects must list the quantity, species, and approximate size (container size, or caliper and height) of trees to be planted.

IMPORTANT: THIS FORM MUST BE USED. PROPOSERS NOT USING THIS FORM WILL BE RULED INELIGIBLE

COST ITEMS	QUANTITY	RATE OR PRICE	GRANT COST	MATCH COST
<p><u>Contractual</u> (Description) Pruning Trees in the following locations: - Trailside Park - Sunshine Ranches Equestrian Park - Rolling Oaks Park - SW 178 Avenue R.O.W. - SW 148 Avenue R.O.W.</p>	<p>1,225 Trees to be Pruned</p>	<p>\$15.51 / Tree</p>	<p>\$10,000.00 \$ 8000</p>	<p>\$9,000.00 \$ 7000</p>
<p><u>Personnel</u> (List titles or positions) Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Supervisor / ISA Certified Arborist</p>	<p>41.62 Hours</p>	<p>\$24.03 / Hour</p>	<p>\$0.00</p>	<p>\$1,000.00</p>
<p><u>Travel</u> Not Applicable</p>				

RESOLUTION NO. 2011 - 035

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE TOWN ADMINISTRATION TO PREPARE AND TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES FOR TREE PRUNING WITHIN TOWN PARKS AND RIGHTS OF WAY; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN ADMINISTRATION TO TRANSMIT THE APPLICATIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the USDA Forest Service has initiated the Urban and Community Forestry grant fund program in which the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services is accepting applications for the State of Florida through the 2011 National Urban Community Forestry Grant Program, a competitive grant program which provide financial assistance to local governments to enhance local urban and community forestry programs and to improve the urban environment within the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Town is eligible for a \$10,000 grant for tree pruning, and the grant requires a 1:1 match; and

WHEREAS, the Town's Recreation, Forestry, and Natural Resources Board recommended submittal of this application at its February 8, 2011 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Town's internal grant policy requires the Town Council's authorization prior to the submission of any grant application; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution seeks to comply with the Town's internal grant policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida:

Section 1: Recitals. The recitals above are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2: Approval. The Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches does hereby authorizes the submission of the grant application to the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services before the grant deadline of March 18, 2011.

COST ITEMS	QUANTITY	RATE OR PRICE	GRANT COST	MATCH COST
<p><u>Operating Costs</u> (List)</p> <p>Not Applicable</p>				
<p><u>Trees</u> (List species and size)</p> <p>Not Applicable</p>				
<p>Overhead**</p> <p>Not Applicable</p>			*	
<p>Total</p>			<p>\$10,000.00 \$8000</p>	<p>\$10,000.00 \$8000</p>

* Grant dollars may not be used to purchase food as supplies.

** Overhead costs up to 5% of total project cost may only be used as a matching cost, grant funds may not be used for overhead costs.

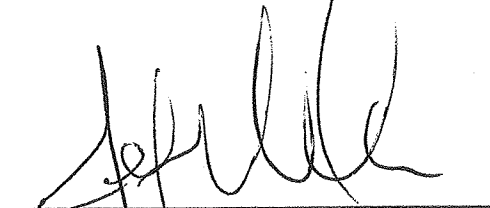
Section 3: Authorization. The Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches does hereby authorize the Town Administration to transmit the applicable grant application, to attend all necessary meetings and to coordinate the execution of final grant agreements, if any, between the parties

Section 4: Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida, this 24th day of February, 2011, on a motion by Council Member McKay and seconded by Council Member Jablonski.


Nelson	<u>ABSENT</u>
Fisikelli	<u>AYE</u>
Breitkreuz	<u>ABSENT</u>
Jablonski	<u>AYE</u>
McKay	<u>AYE</u>

Ayes	<u>3</u>
Nays	<u>0</u>
Absent	<u>2</u>
Abstaining	<u>0</u>




Jeff Nelson, Mayor

ATTEST:



Debra Doré-Thomas, CMC, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:



Keith Poliakoff, Town Attorney
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RESOLUTION NO. 2011 - 039

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE TOWN ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, DIVISION OF FORESTRY FOR TREE PRUNING WITHIN TOWN PARKS AND RIGHTS OF WAY; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR, AND TOWN ATTORNEY TO ENTER INTO THE AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the USDA Forest Service has initiated the Urban and Community Forestry grant fund program in which the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services is accepting applications for the State of Florida through the 2011 National Urban Community Forestry Grant Program, a competitive grant program which provide financial assistance to local governments to enhance local urban and community forestry programs and improve the urban environment within the State Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Town is eligible for a \$10,000 grant for tree pruning, and the grant requires a 1:1 match; and

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2011, pursuant to Resolution No. 2011-035, the Town Council approved the transmittal of this grant application; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council wishes to enter into an Urban and Community Forestry Grant Memorandum of Agreement between the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida and the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services upon approval of the grant award.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida:

Section 1: Recitals. The recitals above are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

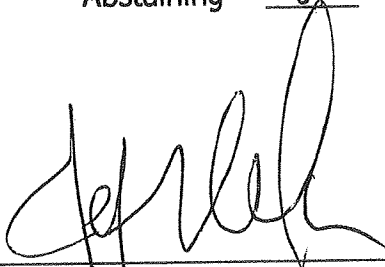
Section 2: Approval. The Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches does hereby approves an Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Forestry, for tree pruning within the Town's parks and right of ways, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,

Section 3: Authorization. The Town Council hereby authorizes its Mayor, Town Administrator, and Town Attorney to enter into an Agreement, in substantially the same form as that attached hereto as Exhibit "A", and to make any and all changes necessary and proper to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

Section 4: Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida, this 10th day of March, 2011, on a motion by Vice Mayor Fisikelli and seconded by Council Member McKay.

Nelson	<u>AYE</u>	Ayes	<u>5</u>
Fisikelli	<u>AYE</u>	Nays	<u>0</u>
Breitkreuz	<u>AYE</u>	Absent	<u>0</u>
Jablonski	<u>AYE</u>	Abstaining	<u>0</u>
McKay	<u>AYE</u>		



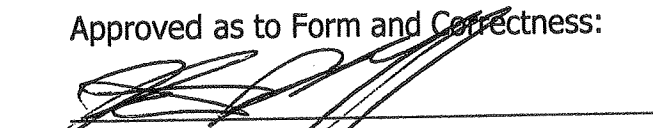
Jeff Nelson, Mayor

ATTEST:



Debra Doré-Thomas, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:



Keith Poliakoff, Town Attorney

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