RESOLUTION NO. 2024-<u>329</u>

A RESOLUTION EXERCISING THE OPTION TO EXTEND CONTRACT C22-0118 FOR FURNISHING TREE TRIMMING AND REMOVAL FOR OH LINE CLEARANCE FOR THE ELECTRIC UTILITY – DISTRIBUTION DIVISION.

WHEREAS, on August 9, 2022, the City Council of the City of Vineland adopted Resolution No. 2022-329, awarding an Open-End Contract to Asplundh Tree Expert LLC, Dover, DE, for the furnishing of Tree Trimming and Removal for OH Line Clearance for the Electric Utility – Distribution Division, for a period of one year from September 1, 2022 ending August 31, 2023, with option to renew for one (1) additional two (2) year term or two (2) additional one (1) year terms, based on unit prices, in an amount not to exceed \$1,565,248.20; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 2023-321 authorized the agreed upon option to utilize the two (2) additional one-year term option for the first option year September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Vineland Municipal Electric Utility and Asplundh Tree Expert have further agreed to exercise the second year of said option extending contract #C22-0118, at the same terms and conditions, for the option year beginning September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025 for an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,672,805.00, which includes a 4% price increase per the Asplundh Tree Expert's collective bargaining agreement with Local 351 for December 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Vineland that the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue an extension to Contract No. C22-0118, issued to Asplundh Tree Expert LLC, Dover, DE, for the furnishing of tree trimming and removal for OH line clearance for an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,672,805.00 for the option year beginning September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025, for the same terms and conditions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer has certified that the funds for the contract to be awarded herein are available.

Adopted: July 23, 2024

ATTEST:		President of Council	eaa
City Clerk	kp		

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JUN 27 2024

CITY OF VINELAND
BUSINESS ADMIN.

June 27, 2024

MEMORANDUM TO BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION:

RE: <u>Resolution Request to Extend Contract for Open-End Contract for Tree Trimming and OH Line Clearance</u>

Request to exercise 2nd year option renewal for Contract C22-0118 awarded by Resolution No. 2022-329 to Asplundh Tree Expert LLC for a period of September 1, 2024 to August 31, 2025 for an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,672,805.00. The bid specifications and contract included the option for a one (1) – (2) year term or two (2) additional one (1) year terms and as such the City wishes to exercise the 2nd year option. Asplundh and the using department agree to the new 4% price changes per price increases from the Collective Bargaining Agreement with local 351 for December, 2023. The Using Department and Asplundh Tree Expert LLC both have agreed to extend this contract through August 31, 2024 for the same terms and conditions.

The contract shall be extended from September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Jeanine N. Meneghetti, QPA

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Purchasing Agent