COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

THIS COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT ("Agreement"), dated this _____ day of _____, 2022, is made and entered into by and between the City of Westminster, a municipal corporation, hereinafter referred to as "*WESTMINSTER*" and the City of Garden Grove, a municipal corporation, hereinafter referred to as "*GARDEN GROVE*".

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, GARDEN GROVE is contemplating the rehabilitation of the pavement surface of that portion of Hazard Avenue from Bushard Street to Ward Street, located in the City of Westminster, (hereinafter the "GG PORTION"); and,

WHEREAS, there is a portion of Hazard Avenue located within the boundaries of *WESTMINSTER* (hereinafter "*WESTMINSTER PORTION*"); and,

WHEREAS, WESTMINSTER desires to have GARDEN GROVE rehabilitate the WESTMINSTER PORTION of Hazard Avenue in conjunction with the GG PORTION, collectively the "PROJECT", and GARDEN GROVE is willing to do so. The exact location of the WESTMINSTER PORTION is described in detail in the document attached hereto as Exhibit A, incorporated herein by this reference. The estimated cost of the WESTMINSTER PORTION, including a ten percent (10%) contingency, is Three Hundred and Ninety-Four Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-Three Dollars (\$ 394,873) (the "Estimated Cost").

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the following promises, covenants, and conditions, the parties hereto do agree as follows:

1. DUTIES OF WESTMINSTER

a. Upon commencement of the **PROJECT**, **GARDEN GROVE** shall include the **WESTMINSTER PORTION** as a part of **GARDEN GROVE's** public works project, prepare the request for bids, hire the lowest responsible bidder (the "Successful Contractor"), and oversee and administer the **PROJECT** in the **WESTMINSTER PORTION** in the same manner and to the same extent as the **GARDEN GROVE PORTION**, all in accordance with all applicable laws governing construction of public works by **GARDEN GROVE**, including, but not limited to, the California Environmental Quality Act and laws governing public bidding and the payment of prevailing wages. If **GARDEN GROVE**, in its sole discretion, determines not to proceed with the **PROJECT** at any time prior to commencement of actual work, this Agreement shall terminate with

no further action required by either party. In the event the projected actual cost of the *WESTMINSTER PORTION*, as reflected in the Successful Contractor's bid, exceeds the Estimated Cost by twenty percent (20%), *GARDEN GROVE* shall not award a contract to the Successful Bidder for the *WESTMINSTER PORTION* without prior written approval of *WESTMINSTER*.

- b. At least thirty (30) calendar days prior to release of the Notice Inviting Bids for the *PROJECT*, *GARDEN GROVE's* City Engineer shall provide *WESTMINSTER's* City Engineer a copy of the *PROJECT's* plans and specifications for his approval, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. If *WESTMINSTER's* City Engineer objects to the plans and specifications, and if his objections cannot be satisfied through discussions with *GARDEN GROVE's* City Engineer, the *WESTMINSTER PORTION* shall not be included in the *PROJECT* and *GARDEN GROVE* shall proceed with the *GARDEN GROVE PORTION* only.
- c. **GARDEN GROVE** agrees that it shall not permit nor cause any hazardous materials to be brought upon, kept, used, stored, generated or disposed of in, or, or about the **WESTMINSTER PORTION**. "Hazardous Materials" shall mean any material that, because of its quantity, concentration, or physical or chemical characteristics, or any combination thereof, is deemed by a federal, state, or local governmental authority to pose a present or potential hazard to human health or safety or to the environment.
- d. **GARDEN GROVE** shall ensure that its contract with the Successful Contractor requires the Successful Contractor provide insurance acceptable to **WESTMINSTER** as shown in Exhibit "B," to name **WESTMINSTER** as an additional insured, and to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless **WESTMINSTER** in the same manner and to the same extent as **GARDEN GROVE**. **GARDEN GROVE** shall not permit construction of any portion of the **PROJECT** to commence until evidence of the required insurance and additional insured endorsements have been provided to and approved by **WESTMINSTER**.

2. WESTMINSTER'S DUTIES

a. **WESTMINSTER** shall pay **GARDEN GROVE** for the actual cost of the work on the **WESTMINSTER PORTION** based upon unit prices bid of the Successful Contractor and quantities actually used on the **WESTMINSTER PORTION**. **WESTMINSTER** shall pay **GARDEN GROVE** the total amount due for the **WESTMINSTER PORTION** upon official final approval of the work by **WESTMINSTER** provided that such final approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

- b. **WESTMINSTER** agrees that any permits required by the Successful Contractor for the work to be performed on the **WESTMINSTER PORTION** shall be issued to the Successful Contractor at no cost to **GARDEN GROVE** or the Successful Contractor.
- c. **WESTMINSTER** shall provide its own inspection services for the **WESTMINSTER PORTION** of the work.
- d. **WESTMINSTER** agrees to fully cooperate with **GARDEN GROVE** and the Successful Contractor in the prosecution of the work, traffic control, and any other matters required for completion of the **PROJECT** in the **WESTMINSTER PORTION**.
- e. **WESTMINSTER** acknowledges that **GARDEN GROVE** is not the contractor for the **PROJECT** and that **GARDEN GROVE** does not warrant any work performed by the Successful Contractor. Notwithstanding the above, **GARDEN GROVE** shall require the Successful Contractor to provide **WESTMINSTER** with any and all warranties, insurance coverage, and indemnities and any other rights the Successful Contractor agrees to provide to **GARDEN GROVE** under the construction contract and as provided by law.
- f. In addition to the above, **WESTMINSTER** also agrees to pay **GARDEN GROVE** for all costs associated with any change orders pertaining to the **WESTMINSTER PORTION,** provided the change orders have been previously approved in writing by **WESTMINSTER's** City Engineer.

3. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This writing constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all oral or written representations or written agreements that may have been entered into between the parties. No modifications or revisions shall be of any force or effect, unless the same is in writing and executed by the parties hereto.

4. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

In the event of an inconsistency in this Agreement and any of the attached Exhibit, the terms set forth in this Agreement shall prevail. If, and to the extent this Agreement incorporates by reference any provision of any document, such provision shall be deemed a part of this Agreement. Nevertheless, if there is any conflict among the terms and conditions of this Agreement and those of any such provision or provisions so incorporated by reference, this Agreement shall govern over the document referenced.

5. ASSIGNMENT

Neither **WESTMINSTER** nor **GARDEN GROVE** may assign or transfer its rights or obligations under this Agreement, or any part thereof, without the written consent of the other party.

6. ATTORNEYS' FEES

In the event that litigation is brought by any party in connection with this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the opposing party all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, incurred by the prevailing party in the exercise of any of its rights or remedies hereunder or the enforcement of any of the terms, conditions, or provisions hereof.

7. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California. If any portion of this Agreement is held invalid under any applicable statute or rule of law, then such portion only shall be deemed invalid. Venue shall exclusively be in a court of competent jurisdiction in the County of Orange, California.

8. NO WAIVER

No waiver or failure to exercise any right, option, or privilege under the terms of this Agreement on any occasion shall be construed to be a waiver of any other right, option, or privilege on any other occasion.

9. NO THIRD PARTY RIGHTS

The parties do not intend to create rights in, or to grant remedies to, any third party as a beneficiary of this Agreement or of any duty, covenant, obligation, or undertaking established herein.

10. **NOTICES**

Notices and communication concerning this Agreement shall be sent to the following addresses:

GARDEN GROVE

WESTMINSTER

City of Garden Grove	
Attention: Dan Candelaria, P.E., T.E.	
City Engineer	
11222 Acacia Parkway	
Garden Grove, CA 92842	

City of Westminster Attention: Jake Ngo, P.E. Public Works Director/City Engineer 8200 Westminster Blvd. Westminster, CA 92683

Either party may, by notice to the other party, change the address specified above. Any notices, documents, correspondence or other communications concerning this Agreement may be provided by personal delivery, facsimile or mail and shall be addressed as set forth above. Such communication shall be deemed served or delivered: a) at the time of delivery if such communication is sent by personal delivery; b) at the time of transmission if such communication is sent by facsimile; and c) five (5) calendar days after deposit in the U.S. Mail as reflected by the official U.S. postmark if such communication is sent through regular United States mail.

11. EFFECTIVE DATE

The effective date of this Agreement shall be the latest date of execution hereinafter set forth opposite the names of the signatures hereto.

12. **INDEMNITY**

GARDEN GROVE and **WESTMINSTER** each hereby agrees to indemnify, defend, protect and hold harmless the other party, and its elected and appointed officials, officers, employees, representatives, volunteers, and agents from and against any and all claims (including, without limitation, claims for bodily injury, death or damage to property), demands, workers' compensation benefits, obligations, damages, actions, causes of action, suits, losses, judgments, fines, penalties, liabilities, costs and expenses of any kind or nature, arising from the activities of the indemnitor or its officers, agents, or employees on the **PROJECT**, or any breach of contract, negligent acts, omissions or breach of law, or willful misconduct of the indemnitor, or its officers, agents, or employees arising out of the performance of, or failure to perform, any provisions of this Agreement. Neither party assumes liability for the acts or omissions of persons other than each party's respective officers, agents, or employees. In the event judgment is entered against both parties because of joint or concurrent negligence of both parties, or their officers, agents, or employees, an apportionment of liability to pay such judgment shall be made by a court of competent jurisdiction. The respective obligations of the parties pursuant to this Section

shall survive expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement.

13. COOPERATION

In the event any claim or action is brought against **GARDEN GROVE** relating to the performance rendered under this Agreement, **WESTMINSTER** shall render any reasonable assistance and cooperation which **GARDEN GROVE** might require.

14. <u>COSTS</u>

Each party shall bear its own costs and fees incurred in the preparation and negotiation of this Agreement and in the performance of its obligations hereunder except as expressly provided herein.

15. HEADINGS

Paragraphs and subparagraph headings contained in this Agreement are included solely for convenience and are not intended to modify, explain or to be a full or accurate description of the content thereof and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

16. **CONSTRUCTION**.

The parties have participated jointly in the negotiation and drafting of this Agreement. In the event an ambiguity or question of intent or interpretation arises with respect to this Agreement, this Agreement shall be construed as if drafted jointly by the parties and in accordance with its fair meaning. There shall be no presumption or burden of proof favoring or disfavoring any party by virtue of the authorship of any of the provisions of this Agreement.

17. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Agreement is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable in any circumstance, such determination shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining terms and provisions hereof or of the offending provision in any other circumstance. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the value of this Agreement, based upon the substantial benefit of the bargain for any party, is materially impaired, which determination made by the presiding court or arbitrator of competent jurisdiction shall be binding, then both parties agree to substitute such provision(s) through good faith negotiations.

18. **COUNTERPARTS**

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

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19. CORPORATE AUTHORITY

The persons executing this Agreement on behalf of the parties hereto warrant that they are duly authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of said parties and that by doing so the parties hereto are formally bound to the provisions of this Agreement.

[Signatures on the following page.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed on the dates hereinafter respectively set forth.

CITY OF GARDEN GROVE, a municipal corporation	ATTEST:	
By: Scott C. Stiles, City Manager	Teresa Pomeroy, Garden Grove City Clerk	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	DATE OF EXECUTION:	
Omar Sandoval, Garden Grove City Attorney		
CITY OF WESTMINSTER, a municipal corporation	ATTEST:	
Ву:		
Christine Cordon, Interim City Manager	Lucie Colombo, Westminster Interim City Clerk	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	DATE OF EXECUTION:	

Christian Bettenhausen, Westminster City Attorney