

CONTRACT FOR SERVICES

THIS CONTRACT is entered into this _____ day of _____ 2019, between the CITY OF STOCKTON, a municipal corporation ("CITY"), and **SOLITUDE LAKE MANAGEMENT LLC, dba AQUATIC ENVIRONMENTS**, with a business address at **345 INDUSTRIAL WAY, BENICIA, CA 94510**, hereinafter called "CONTRACTOR." THIS CONTRACT is for the **ANNUAL POND WEED CONTROL PROGRAM (PUR 18-014)**, hereinafter referred to as "SERVICE."

RECITALS

- A. CONTRACTOR represents that it is licensed in the State of California and is qualified, willing and able to provide the services proposed in the SCOPE OF WORK section of this Contract.
- B. CONTRACTOR represents that it is registered pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5 and will register annually with the Department of Industrial Relations, if the services have a wage determination for the service outlined in the SCOPE OF WORK section of this Contract.
- C. CONTRACTOR represents that it will pay all required prevailing wages under California Labor Code for all services provided that have a wage determination.
- D. CITY finds it necessary and advisable to use the services of the CONTRACTOR for the purposes provided in this Contract.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises, covenants and conditions in this Contract, CITY and CONTRACTOR agree as follows:

1. **SCOPE OF SERVICES.** Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall undertake and complete the services described in The Request for Sealed Bids to Provide Annual Pond Weed Control Program for the City of Stockton, California (PUR 18-014) (Plans and Specifications), incorporated herein. CONTRACTOR shall provide said services at the time, place, and in the manner specified in Exhibit A and compatible with the standards of the profession. CONTRACTOR agrees that it shall provide fully complete services including all labor, materials, tools, equipment and insurance required and that are acceptable to the CITY.

2. **COMPENSATION.** CITY shall pay CONTRACTOR for services outlined in the Plans and Specifications according to the fee not to exceed the fee schedule detailed in **Exhibit A (Bid Proposal)**, which is attached to this Contract and incorporated by this reference. CONTRACTOR agrees this fee is for full remuneration for performing all services and furnishing all staffing, materials and tools called for in the scope of services. The payments shall be made on a monthly basis upon receipt and approval of

CONTRACTOR'S invoice for completed work. Total compensation for services and reimbursement for costs shall not exceed **\$381,589** or as otherwise mutually agreed to in a Contract Amendment. Any price increases or decreases required due to unforeseen price fluctuation for contracted services may be negotiated between CONTRACTOR and CITY. Price increases or decreases negotiated must be agreed upon in writing by both parties.

- a. Invoices submitted by CONTRACTOR to CITY must contain a brief description of work performed, location of work, time used, materials and special equipment and City project number. Payment shall be made within thirty (30) days of approval of invoice by City.
- b. Upon completion of work and acceptance by CITY, CONTRACTOR shall have sixty (60) days in which to submit final invoicing for payment. An extension may be granted by CITY upon receiving a written request thirty (30) days in advance of said time limitation. CITY shall have no obligation or liability to pay any invoice for work performed which CONTRACTOR fails or neglects to submit within sixty (60) days, or any extension thereof granted by the CITY, after work is accepted by CITY.

3. **INSURANCE.** During the term of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall maintain in full force and effect at its own cost and expense the insurance coverage as set forth in the attached **Exhibit B (Insurance Requirements and Forms)** which is attached to this contract and incorporated by this reference, and shall otherwise comply with the other provisions of **Exhibit B**. Maintenance of proper insurance coverage is a material element of this contract and that failure to maintain or renew coverage or to provide evidence of renewal may be treated as a material breach of contract.

CONTRACTOR shall not commence any work before obtaining, and shall maintain in force at all times during the duration and performance of this contract, the policies of insurance specified in **Exhibit B**, which is attached to this contract and incorporated by this reference, and as provided in the "contract documents" including Section 7-1.06 of the City of Stockton Standard Specifications and Plans as adopted on September 27, 2016, by Council Resolution No. 2016-09-27-1213, effective September 27, 2016.

It shall be a requirement under this agreement that any available insurance proceeds broader than or in excess of the specified minimum insurance coverage requirements and/or limits shall be available to the Additional Insured. Furthermore, the requirements for coverage and limits shall be (1) the minimum coverage and limits specified in this Agreement; or (2) the broader coverage and maximum limits of coverage of any insurance policy or proceeds available to the named Insured; whichever is greater.

The Additional Insured coverage under the CONTRACTOR's policy shall be "primary and non-contributory" and will not seek contribution from the City of Stockton's insurance or self-insurance and shall be at least as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13.

The limits of insurance required in this agreement may be satisfied by a combination of primary and umbrella or excess insurance. Any umbrella or excess insurance shall contain or be endorsed to contain a provision that such coverage shall also apply on a primary and non-contributory basis for the benefit of the City of Stockton (if agreed to in a written contract or agreement) before the City of Stockton's own insurance or self-insurance shall be called upon to protect it as a named insured.

All self-insured retentions (SIR) must be disclosed to the CITY's Risk Management for approval and shall not reduce the limits of liability. Payment Bond in the amount of the self-insured retention (SIR) may be required.

Policies containing any self-insured retention (SIR) provision shall provide or be endorsed to provide that the SIR may be satisfied by either the named insured or the CITY.

The City reserves the right to obtain a full certified copy of any insurance policy and endorsements. Failure to exercise this right shall not constitute a waiver of right to exercise later.

Contractor shall maintain insurance as required by this contract to the fullest amount allowed by law and shall maintain insurance for a minimum of three years following the completion of this project. In the event contractor fails to obtain or maintain completed operations coverage as required by this agreement, the CITY at its sole discretion may purchase the coverage required and the cost will be paid by CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR agrees to include with all Subcontractors in their subcontract the same requirements and provisions of this agreement including the indemnity and insurance requirements to the extent they apply to the scope of the Subcontractor's work. Subcontractors hired by CONTRACTOR agree to be bound to CONTRACTOR and the CITY in the same manner and to the same extent as CONTRACTOR is bound to the CITY under the Contract Documents. CONTRACTOR further agrees to include these same provisions with any subcontractor regardless of tier. A copy of the CITY Contract Document Indemnity and Insurance provisions will be furnished to the Subcontractor upon request. The CONTRACTOR shall require all Subcontractors to provide a valid certificate of insurance and the required endorsements included in the agreement prior to commencement of any work and contractor will provide proof of compliance to the CITY.

4. INDEMNITY AND HOLD HARMLESS. With the exception that this section shall in no event be construed to require indemnification by CONTRACTOR to a greater extent than permitted under the public policy of the State of California, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, protect, defend with counsel approved by CITY and at CONTRACTOR'S sole cost and expense, and hold harmless CITY, its Mayor, Council, officials, representatives, agents, employees, and volunteers from and against any and all claims, causes of action, liabilities, judgments, awards, losses, liens, claims, stop notices, damages, expenses, and costs (including without limitation attorneys' fees, expert and

consultant fees, and other expenses of litigation) of every nature, including, but not limited to, death or injury to persons, or damage to property, which arise out of or are in any way connected with the work performed, materials furnished, or services provided under this Agreement, or from any violation of any federal, State, or municipal law or ordinance, or City Policy, by CONTRACTOR or CONTRACTOR'S officers, agents, employees, volunteers or subcontractors. CONTRACTOR shall not be obligated to indemnify or defend CITY for claims finally determined by a court of law or arbitrator to arise from the active negligence or willful misconduct of the CITY. It is the intent of the Parties that this indemnity obligation is at least as broad as is permitted under California law. To the extent California Civil Code sections 2782, et seq., limit the defense or indemnity obligations of CONTRACTOR to CITY, the intent hereunder is to provide the maximum defense and indemnity obligations allowed by CONTRACTOR under the law. The indemnity set forth in this section shall not be limited by insurance requirements or by any other provision of this Agreement.

With exception that this section shall in no event be construed to require indemnification, including the duty to defend, by CONTRACTOR to a greater extent than permitted under the public policy of the State of California, the parties agree that CONTRACTOR'S duty to defend CITY is immediate and arises upon the filing of any claim against the CITY for damages which arise out of or are in any way connected with the work performed, materials furnished, or services provided under this Agreement by CONTRACTOR'S officers, agents, employees, volunteers or subcontractors.

CONTRACTOR'S duties and obligations to defend the CITY shall apply regardless of whether or not the issue of the CITY'S liability, breach of this Agreement, or other obligation or fault has been determined. CONTRACTOR shall be immediately obligated to pay for CITY'S defense costs of the claim, including, but not limited to, court costs, attorney's fees and costs, expert consultant and witness fees and costs, other witness fees, document reproduction costs, arbitration fees, and, if after final judgment an appeal is pursued, all of such costs for the appeal. At the conclusion of the claim, if there is any determination or finding of sole active negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the CITY, CITY will then reimburse CONTRACTOR for amounts paid in excess of CONTRACTOR'S proportionate share of responsibility for the damages within 30 days after CONTRACTOR provides CITY with copies of all bills and expenses incurred in the defense of the claim(s). It is agreed between the parties that this reimbursement provision assures CONTRACTOR is not obligated to defend or indemnify CITY in an amount greater than provided for under California law, including, without limitation, California Civil Code sections 2782, 2782.6, and 2782.8.

With the exception that this section shall in no event be construed to require indemnification by CONTRACTOR to a greater extent than permitted under the public policy of the State of California, and in addition to the other indemnity obligations in this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless CITY, its Mayor, Council, officials, representatives, agents employees and volunteers from and against all claims, losses, expenses, and costs including, but not limited to attorneys' fees, arising

out of any claim brought against the CITY by an employee, office, agent, or volunteer of CONTRACTOR, regardless of whether such claim may be covered by any applicable workers compensation insurance. CONTRACTOR 'S indemnification obligation is not limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation, or benefits payable by or for the CONTRACTOR under workers ' compensation acts, disability acts, or other employee benefit acts.

CONTRACTOR'S obligation to defend, indemnify, and hold the CITY, its agents, officers, and employees harmless under the provisions of this paragraph is not limited to or restricted by any requirement in this Contract for CONTRACTOR to procure and maintain a policy of insurance.

CONTRACTOR/Subcontractor's responsibility for such defense and indemnity obligations shall survive the termination or completion of this agreement for the full period of time allowed by law.

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this indemnification is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this indemnification.

5. SCHEDULE AND TERM. CONTRACTOR shall perform the scope of work as described in the Plans and Specifications according to the schedule detailed in the Plans and Specifications, which is attached to this Contract and incorporated by this reference. This contract shall commence on the date written above and shall remain in effect for five (5) years, and shall expire on **February 28, 2024**, unless terminated earlier by City as provided for in Section 11 "Termination" of this Agreement.

6. CONFORMANCE TO APPLICABLE LAWS. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and Municipal laws, rules, and ordinances.

a. **TITLE VI**

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 requires that "no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance." (42 USC Section 2000d)

<http://www.dol.gov/oasam/regs/statutes/titlevi.htm>.

The City of Stockton requires compliance with the requirements of Title VI in all of its programs and activities regardless of funding source.

b. **DISCRIMINATION AND HARASSMENT POLICY**

The City of Stockton has a Discrimination and Harassment Policy (Exhibit C). The purpose of this policy is to reaffirm the CITY's commitment to

demonstrating respect for all individuals by strictly prohibiting discrimination and harassment, including sexual harassment in the workplace, to define the types of behavior and conduct prohibited by this policy, and to set forth a procedure for reporting, investigating, and resolving complaints of discrimination and harassment in the workplace.

c. LABOR STANDARDS PROVISIONS/CALIFORNIA LABOR CODE

The bidder shall understand that conditions set forth in Chapter 1, Part 7, Division 2 of the California Labor Code shall be considered part of the contract agreement.

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displayText.xhtml?lawCode=LAB&division=2.&title=&part=7.&chapter=1.&article=2.

d. PREVAILING WAGE

CONTRACTOR and any subcontractor shall pay each employee engaged in the trade or occupation not less than the prevailing hourly wage rate. In accordance with the provisions of Section 1770 of the Labor Code, the Director of Department of Industrial Relations of the State of California has determined the general prevailing rate and employer payments for health and welfare, pension, vacation, travel time, and subsistence pay as provided for in Section 1773.1, apprenticeship or other training programs authorized by Section 3093 and similar purposes applicable to the work to be done. CONTRACTOR performing the work under this contract shall obtain a copy of the wage rate determination and shall distribute copies to each subcontractor. As the wage determination for each craft reflects an expiration date, it shall be the prime CONTRACTOR and each subcontractor's responsibility to insure that the prevailing wage rates of concern is current and paid to the employee.

- i. The CONTRACTOR performing the work shall be responsible for obtaining a copy of the State wage rate determination. State wage rates may be obtained at:

www.dir.ca.gov/OPRL/pwd/Determinations/Northern/Northern.pdf The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for posting said wage rates at a prominent location at the work site and shall maintain same in a good readable condition for the duration of the work.

- ii. Should the CONTRACTOR choose to work on a Saturday, Sunday or on a holiday recognized by the Labor Unions, the CONTRACTOR shall reimburse the CITY the actual cost of engineering, inspection, superintendence, and or other overhead expenses which are directly chargeable to the contract. Should such work be undertaken at the

request of the CITY, reimbursement will not be required. To conform strictly with the provisions of Division 2, Part 7, Chapter 1, Article 2, of the Labor Code of the State of California. To forfeit as a penalty to CITY the sum of TWENTY FIVE AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$25.00) for each laborer, worker, or mechanic employed by CONTRACTOR, or by any subcontractor under CONTRACTOR, in the execution of this contract, for each calendar day during which any laborer, worker, or mechanic is required or permitted to work more than eight (8) hours and who is not paid the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for holiday and overtime work in violation of the provisions of Sections 1770 to 1781 of the Labor Code of the State of California. That all sums forfeited under the provisions of the foregoing sections shall be deducted from the payments to be made under the terms of this contract.

- iii. The CONTRACTOR to whom the contract is awarded shall insure that the prime and each subcontractor will in accordance with Section 1776 of the Labor Code, maintain certified payroll records. A copy of said records shall be provided with each invoice to the Municipal Utilities Department, Attention Contract Compliance Officer. It shall be the CONTRACTOR'S responsibility to obtain copies of the current prevailing wage rate determination for all subcontractors. Additionally, certified payroll records must be uploaded to the DIR website as required by labor code.
- iv. The CONTRACTOR shall comply with the provisions established in Section 1777.5 of the Labor Code concerning the 1) certified approval by local joint apprenticeship committees for the employment and training of apprentices, and 2) contribution of funds to administer and conduct apprenticeship programs, if applicable to the job.

e. **LOCAL EMPLOYMENT ORDINANCE**

Pursuant to Stockton Municipal Code Section 3.68.095 the CONTRACTOR and all subcontractors shall make a good faith effort to employ at least 50 percent of the workforce on this project from local residents, as measured by total labor work hours. Failure of any CONTRACTOR or subcontractor to comply with these requirements shall be deemed a material breach of the contract or subcontract. CONTRACTORS and subcontractors shall maintain records necessary for monitoring their compliance with section 3.68.095.

7. INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT. To the greatest extent practical, CONTRACTOR will use Integrated Pest Management practices, principles, concepts and the least toxic method to achieve the desired result.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable County, State or Federal regulations

regarding pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers. CONTRACTOR shall analyze plant problems and apply correct types and rates of fertilizers, insecticides, fungicides and herbicides. Any insecticides, pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, and/or fertilizers used shall be applied in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

CONTRACTOR shall advise the City in writing prior to the application of any insecticides, pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, and/or fertilizers. CONTRACTOR shall provide City with Material Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for all insecticides, pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, and/or fertilizers proposed for use prior to their actual use. CONTRACTOR shall provide a site-specific schedule showing where, when and what insecticides, pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, and/or fertilizers will be applied at least five (5) working days prior to application. CONTRACTOR is solely responsible for any damages due to CONTRACTOR's application or misapplication of insecticides, pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, and/or fertilizers.

At least three days prior to a proposed application of a pesticide, a notice shall be posted on City property. The notice shall be conspicuously posted in one or more regular locations at the site of the application. It shall be 8 1/2" by 11" and specify the pest, manner of application, proposed date of application, the time, and location. It shall contain the brand and common name of the pesticide and list the acute effects. The notice shall remain posted for three days after the application.

Pest management schedules, applications, public posting, and Material Safety Data Sheets (SDS) shall be discussed and reported with the Project Manager.

8. **AMENDMENT.** This Agreement may be modified, amended, changed, added to or subtracted from by the mutual consent of the parties hereto if such amendment or change is in written form and attached to the original Agreement to maintain continuity. An amendment will not become effective until approved by the City Manager and/or the City Council.

9. **RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF CITY.** CITY shall make available to CONTRACTOR all data and information in the possession of CITY which both parties deem necessary to complete the work, and CITY shall actively aid and assist CONTRACTOR in obtaining such information as may be deemed necessary from other agencies and individuals.

10. **OBLIGATIONS OF CONTRACTOR.** Throughout the term of this Contract, CONTRACTOR represents and warrants that it has or will have at the time this Contract is executed, all licenses, permits, qualifications, insurance, and approvals of whatsoever nature which are legally required for the CONTRACTOR to practice its professions, and CONTRACTOR shall, at its own cost and expense, keep in effect during the life of this contract all such licenses, permits, qualifications, insurance, and approvals. CONTRACTOR shall meet with the Project Manager or other personnel of CITY or third parties as necessary on all matters connected with the carrying out of CONTRACTOR'S

services. Such meetings shall be held at the request of either party hereto. CONTRACTOR further warrants that it will follow the best current, generally accepted and professional practices to make findings, render opinions, prepare factual presentations, and provide professional advice and recommendations regarding this project.

11. **TERMINATION.** This Agreement is effective on the Effective Date. The City may terminate this Contract and work pursuant to any of all scope of works at any time by mailing a notice in writing to Contractor. The Contract shall then be deemed terminated and no further work shall be performed by Contractor. If the Contract is so terminated, the Contractor shall be paid for that percentage of work actually completed at the time the notice of termination is received.

12. **CONTRACTOR STATUS.** In performing the obligations set forth in this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall have the status of an independent contractor and CONTRACTOR shall not be considered to be an employee of the City for any purpose. All persons working for or under the direction of CONTRACTOR are its agents and employees, and are not agents of the CITY. Subcontractors shall not be recognized as having any direct or contractual relationship with the CITY. The persons engaged in the work, including employees of subcontractors and suppliers, will be considered employees of CONTRACTOR. The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the work of subcontractors, which shall be subject to the provisions of this Contract. The CONTRACTOR is responsible to the CITY for the acts and omissions of its subcontractors and persons directly or indirectly employed by them.

- a. If in the performance of this Contract any third persons are employed by CONTRACTOR, such persons shall be entirely and exclusively under the direction, supervision, and control of CONTRACTOR. All terms of employment including hours, wages, working conditions, discipline, hiring, and discharging or any other term of employment or requirement of law shall be determined by CONTRACTOR.
- i. It is further understood and agreed that CONTRACTOR must issue W- 2 forms or other forms as required by law for income and employment tax purposes for all of CONTRACTOR 'S personnel.
- ii. As an independent contractor, CONTRACTOR hereby indemnifies and holds CITY harmless from any and all claims that may be made against the CITY based upon any contention by any third party that employer-employee relationship exists by reason of this Contract.

13. **ASSIGNMENT.** CONTRACTOR shall not assign, sublet, or transfer this Contract or any interest or obligation in the Contract without the prior written consent of the CITY, and then only upon such terms and conditions as CITY may set forth in writing. CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible for reimbursing subcontractors.

14. **HEADINGS NOT CONTROLLING.** Headings used in the Contract are for reference purposes only and shall not be considered in construing this Contract.

15. **NOTICES.** Any and all notices herein required shall be in writing and shall be sent by certified or registered mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

To CONTRACTOR:

Aquatic Environments
345 Industrial Way
Benicia, CA 94510

To City:

City of Stockton
425 N. El Dorado Street
Stockton, CA 95202

16. **LICENSES, CERTIFICATIONS, AND PERMITS.** Prior to the CITY'S execution of this Contract and prior to the CONTRACTOR engaging in any operation or activity set forth in this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall obtain a City of Stockton business license, which must be kept in effect during the term of this Contract. CONTRACTOR covenants that it has obtained all certificates, licenses, permits and the like required to perform the services under this Contract.

17. **RECORDS AND AUDITS.** CITY reserves the right to periodically audit all charges made by CONTRACTOR to CITY for services under this Contract. Upon request, CONTRACTOR agrees to furnish CITY, or a designated representative, with necessary information and assistance.

CONTRACTOR agrees that CITY or its delegate shall have the right to review, obtain, and copy all records pertaining to performance of the Contract. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide CITY or its delegate with any relevant information requested, and shall permit CITY or its delegate access to its premises, upon reasonable notice, during normal business hours for the purpose of interviewing employees and inspecting and copying such books, records, accounts, and other material that may be relevant to a matter under investigation for the purposes of determining compliance with this Contract. CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain such records for a period of three years from the date that final payment is made.

18. **CONFIDENTIALITY.** CONTRACTOR shall exercise reasonable precautions to prevent the unauthorized disclosure and use of CITY'S reports, information, or conclusions.

19. **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.** CONTRACTOR covenants that other than this Contract, CONTRACTOR has no financial interest with any official, employee, or other representative of the CITY. CONTRACTOR and its principals do not have any financial in real affected time waive any breach by not other or succeeding breach of this Contract, whether of the same or of any other covenant, condition, or obligation.

20. **WAIVER.** In the event either CITY or CONTRACTOR at any time waive any breach of this Contract by the other, such waiver shall not constitute a waiver of any other or succeeding breach of this Contract, whether of the same or of any other covenant,

condition, or obligation.

21. **GOVERNING LAW.** California law shall govern any legal action pursuant to this Contract with venue for all claims in the Superior Court of the County of San Joaquin, Stockton Branch or, where applicable, in the federal District Court of California, Eastern District, Sacramento Division.

22. **DISPUTE RESOLUTION.** Prior to undertaking any litigation, the Parties shall make reasonable efforts to resolve all disputes informally, including by means of a conference between senior managers of each Party having authority to resolve the dispute.

1. Venue

Any controversy or claim between the Parties shall be determined with venue for all claims in the Superior Court of the County of San Joaquin, Stockton Branch or, where applicable, in the federal District Court of California, Northern District, Sacramento Division.

2. If any litigation action or proceeding is commenced in connection with this Agreement, the prevailing Party, as determined by the court, shall be entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees (including allocated costs for in-house legal services), costs and necessary disbursements incurred in such action or proceeding.

23. **NO PERSONAL LIABILITY.** No official or employee of CITY shall be personally liable to CONTRACTOR in the event of any default or breach by CITY or for any amount due CONTRACTOR.

24. **INTEGRATION AND MODIFICATION.** The response by CONTRACTOR to the Request for Bids on file with the CITY are hereby incorporated herein by reference to the extent that such documents do not differ from the provisions and terms of this Contract that shall supersede such response to Request for Bids. This Contract represents the entire integrated agreement between CONTRACTOR and CITY, supersedes all prior negotiations, representation, or agreements, either written or oral, between the parties, and may be amended only by written instrument signed by CONTRACTOR and CITY. All exhibits and this contract are intended to be construed as a single document. Should any inconsistency occur between the specific terms of this Contract and the attached exhibits, the terms of this Contract will prevail.

25. **SEVERABILITY.** The provisions of this Contract are severable to the extent that should any of its provisions or terms be declared void in whole or in part by operation of law or agreement of the parties, the remainder of the provisions or terms not expressly declared void shall remain enforceable and in full effect.

26. **THIRD PARTY RIGHTS.** Nothing in this Contract shall be construed to give

any rights or benefits to anyone other than CITY and CONTRACTOR.

27. AUTHORITY. The undersigned hereby represent and warrant that they are authorized by the parties to execute this Contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF: the parties have executed this Contract the day and year first above hereinabove written.

CITY OF STOCKTON

**SOLITUDE LAKE MANAGEMENT LLC
dba AQUATIC ENVIRONMENTS**

KURT O. WILSON, CITY MANAGER

By:


Signature

ATTEST:

Marc D Bellaud, President
Print name Solitude Lake Management

JOSÉ JASSO, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
JOHN M. LUEBBERKE, CITY ATTORNEY

*[If CONTRACTOR is a corporation
signature(s) must comply with
Corporations Code §313.]*

DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY