

COMMUNITY WORKFORCE AGREEMENT

BY AND BETWEEN

THE CITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO

AND

THE TRI COUNTIES BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION

TRADES COUNCIL, AFL-CIO

AND

THE SIGNATORY CRAFT COUNCILS AND UNIONS

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## **CITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO COMMUNITY WORKFORCE AGREEMENT**

This Community Workforce Agreement (hereinafter, “Agreement”) is entered into by and between the City of San Luis Obispo and its successors or assigns, (“City”), the Tri Counties Building & Construction Trades Council, AFL-CIO (the “Council”), and the signatory Craft Councils and Unions signing this Agreement (hereinafter together with the Council, collectively, the “Unions”). This Agreement establishes the labor relations guidelines and procedures for the City and for the Contractors and craft employees represented by the Unions and engaged in Project Work. The City, Council, Unions, and Contractors that become signatory to this Agreement by executing the Letter of Assent are hereinafter referred to herein, as the context may require, as “Party” or “Parties.”

The Parties to this Agreement understand that if this Agreement is acceptable to the City, the policy of the City will be for the Project Work to be contracted exclusively to Contractors who agree to execute and be bound by the terms of this Agreement, directly or through the Letter of Assent (a form of which is attached as “**Attachment A**”), and to require each of its subcontractors, of whatever tier, to become bound. The City shall include, directly or by incorporation by reference, the requirements of this Agreement in the advertisement of and/or specifications for each and every contract for Project Work to be awarded by the City.

The City shall actively administer and enforce the obligations of this Agreement to ensure that the benefits envisioned from it flow to all signatory Parties, the Contractors and crafts persons working under it, and the residents of the City. The City shall therefore designate a “Community Workforce Coordinator,” either from its own staff or an independent contractor acting on behalf of the City, who will, with the support of the Contractors and Unions, monitor compliance with this Agreement; assist, as the authorized representative of the City, in developing and implementing the programs referenced herein, all of which are critical to fulfilling the intent and purposes of the Parties and this Agreement; and to otherwise implement and administer this Agreement.

The term “Apprentice” as used in this Agreement shall mean those employees registered and participating in Joint Labor/Apprenticeship Programs approved by the Division of Apprenticeship Standards, Department of Industrial Relations of the State of California, and the Federal Department of Labor to the extent required by any Project funding source.

The term “Contractor” as used in this Agreement includes any individual, firm, partnership, or corporation, or combination thereof, including joint ventures, which as an Independent Contractor has entered into a contract with the City with respect to the Project Work, or with another Contractor as a subcontractor of whatever tier utilized by such Contractors for Project Work.

The term “Joint Labor/Apprenticeship Program” or “Approved Apprenticeship Programs,” as used in this Agreement means a joint Union and Contractor administered apprenticeship program certified by the Division of Apprenticeship Standards, Department of Industrial Relations of the State of California, and the Federal Department of Labor to the extent required by any Project funding source.

The term “Local Area Resident” as used in this Agreement means a qualified person whose principal residence is located within the territory covered by the zip codes contained in Appendix B to this Agreement in priority order.

The term “Local Area Contractor” as used in this Agreement means a construction contracting entity whose principal place of business is located within the territory of Tier 1 or Tier 2 contained in Appendix B to this Agreement and has so located and continuously operated for a period of at least one (1) year prior to the award of Project Work.

The term “Letter of Assent” as used in this Agreement means the document that each Contractor (of any tier) must sign and submit to the Community Workforce Coordinator and the Council, before beginning any Project Work, which formally binds them to adhere to all applicable forms, requirements and conditions of this Agreement, in the form of the letter attached hereto as Attachment A.

The term “Project” or “Project Work” as used in this Agreement means the City’s construction, abatement, demolition, renovation, rehabilitation, upgrade and improvement work, and new construction as described in Section 2.2 of this Agreement and as contracted out by the City.

The terms “Master Labor Agreements” or “MLAs,” as used in this Agreement, means the local collective bargaining agreements of the signatory Unions having jurisdiction over the Project Work and which have signed this Agreement. A list of the applicable MLAs are attached hereto as Attachment E.

The term “Subscription Agreement” means the contract between a Contractor and a Union’s Labor/Management Trust Fund(s) that allows the Contractor to make the appropriate fringe benefit contributions in accordance with the terms of MLA.

The Union and all Contractors agree to abide by the terms and conditions of this Agreement and agree that this Agreement represents the complete understanding of the Parties. No Contractor is or will be required to sign or otherwise become a party to any other collective bargaining agreement with a signatory Union as a condition of performing work within the scope of this Agreement.

The Parties agree that this Agreement will be made available to, and will fully apply to, any successful bidder for Project Work, without regard to whether that successful bidder performs work at other sites on either a union or non-union basis. This Agreement shall not apply to any work of any Contractor other than that on Project Work specifically covered by this Agreement.

The use of masculine or feminine gender or titles in this Agreement should be construed as including both genders and not as gender limitations unless the Agreement clearly requires a different construction. Further, the use of Article titles and/or Section headings are for information only and carry no legal significance.

## **ARTICLE 1 INTENT AND PURPOSE**

Section 1.1 Identification and Retention of Skilled Labor and Employment of Local Area Residents: The construction and capital improvement work scheduled to be performed by the City will require large numbers of craft personnel and other supporting workers. The parties understand and intend to use the opportunities provided by the extensive amount of work to be covered by this Agreement to identify and promote, through cooperative efforts, programs and procedures (which may include, for example, programs to prepare persons for entrance into formal apprenticeship programs, or outreach programs to the community describing opportunities available as a result of the Project), the interest and involvement of Local Area Residents in the construction industry; assist them in entering the construction trades, and through utilization of the approved apprenticeship programs, provide training opportunities for those Local Area Residents and other individuals wishing to pursue a career in construction. Further, with assistance of the Community Workforce Coordinator, the City, the Contractors, the Unions and their affiliated regional and national organizations, will work jointly to develop and implement procedures promptly for the identification of craft needs, the scheduling of work to facilitate the utilization of available craft workers, and to secure the services of craft workers in sufficient numbers to meet the high demands of the Project Work to be undertaken.

Section 1.2 Encouragement of Local Area Contractors: The Project will provide many opportunities for local contractors and suppliers to participate, and the parties therefore agree that they will cooperate with all efforts of the City, the Community Workforce Coordinator, and other organizations retained by the City for the purpose of encouraging and assisting the participation of such businesses in Project Work. The parties shall ensure that the provisions of this Agreement do not inadvertently establish impediments to the participation of Local Area Contractors and Local Area Residents.

Section 1.3 Project Cooperation: The Parties recognize that the construction to take place under this Agreement involves unique and special circumstances which dictate the need for the Parties to develop specific procedures to promote high quality, rapid and uninterrupted construction methods, and practices. The smooth operation and cost effective, successful and timely completion of the work is vitally important to the City. The Parties therefore agree that maximum cooperation among all parties involved is required; and that with construction work of this magnitude, with multiple contractors and crafts performing work on multiple sites over an extended period of time, all Parties agree to work in a spirit of harmony and cooperation, and with an overriding commitment to maintain the continuity and timely completion of Project Work.

Section 1.4 Workers' Compensation Carve-out: Further, the Parties recognize the potential which the Project may provide for the implementation of a cost-effective workers' compensation system as permitted by California Labor Code, Section 3201.5, as revised. Should the City request, the Union parties agree to meet and negotiate in good faith with representatives of the City for the development, and subsequent implementation, of an effective program involving improved and revised dispute resolution and medical care procedures for the delivery of workers' compensation benefits and medical coverage as permitted by the Code.

Section 1.5 Peaceful Resolution of All Disputes: In recognition of the special needs of the Project and to maintain a spirit of harmony, labor-management peace and stability during the term of this Community Workforce Agreement, the Parties agree to establish effective and binding methods for the settlement of all misunderstandings, disputes and grievances; and in recognition of such methods and procedures, the unions agree not to engage in any strike, slowdowns, interruptions, or disruption of Project Work, and the contractors agree not to engage in any lockout, or any other action impairing or impeding the Project Work.

Section 1.6 Binding Agreement on Parties and Inclusion of Local Area Residents and Businesses: By executing this Agreement, the City, Council, Unions and Contractors agree to be bound by each and all of the provisions of this Agreement, and pledge that they will work together to adopt, develop, and implement processes and procedures which are inclusive of the Local Area Residents and Local Area Contractors.

## **ARTICLE 2 SCOPE OF AGREEMENT**

Section 2.1 General: This Agreement shall only apply to work which is contracted out by the City, as specified in Section 2.2 of this Article, performed by those Contractor(s) of whatever tier that have contracts awarded for such work.

Section 2.2 Specific: The Projects are defined and limited to:

2.2.1 All construction, abatement, demolition, renovation, rehabilitation, upgrade and improvement work and new construction to be performed pursuant to or under a contract with the City for the Prado Road Interchange and Public Safety Center Projects, as finally approved and constructed, and all subcontracts flowing from these contracts (“Project Work”), are covered under this Agreement.

2.2.2 The Parties understand that the City may at any time, and at its sole discretion, determine to build segments of the Project under this Agreement which were not currently proposed, or to modify or not to build any one or more particular segments proposed to be covered. It is understood by the Parties that the City may at any time, and at its sole discretion, add additional projects under this Agreement not otherwise covered by this Agreement.

Section 2.3 Exclusions: Items specifically excluded from the Scope of this Agreement include the following:

2.3.1 Work of non-manual employees, including but not limited to: superintendents; administrators; supervisors; time keepers; mail carriers; clerks; office workers; messengers; guards; safety personnel; emergency medical and first aid technicians; and other professional, engineering, administrative, supervisory and management employees;

2.3.2 Equipment and machinery operated by the City;

2.3.3 All off-site manufacture and handling of materials, equipment, or machinery; provided, however, that lay down or storage areas for equipment or material and manufacturing (prefabrication) sites, dedicated solely to the Project or Project Work, and the movement of materials or goods between locations on a Project site are within the scope of this Agreement;

2.3.4 All employees of the City, Community Workforce Coordinator, design teams (including, but not limited to, architects, engineers and master planners), or any other consultants or service providers contracted directly with the City (including, but not limited to, project managers and construction managers, Surveyors, Building/Construction Inspectors, and Field Soils and Material Testers, and their employees) and their sub-consultants, and other employees of professional service organizations who provide services to the City through professional services agreements. However, to the extent that services are performed under a construction contract with the Contractor awarded the Project Work or a related construction subcontract, this Agreement shall include the classifications of Surveyor, Building/Construction Inspector and Field Soils and Material Testers (Inspectors) as a covered craft under this Agreement as applied to the scope of work defined in the Master Labor Agreement for said craft and shall also specifically include such work where it is referred to by utilization of such terms as “quality control” or “quality assurance.” In that circumstance, every Surveyor, Building/Construction Inspector performing work under these classifications pursuant to a construction contract with a Contractor for Project Work shall be bound to all applicable requirements of this Agreement;

2.3.5 Any work performed on or near or leading to or into a site of work covered by this Agreement and undertaken by state, county, city, California Polytechnic University, or other governmental bodies, or their Contractors or consultants; or by public utilities, or their Contractors or consultants; and/or by the City or its Contractors or consultants (for work that is not within the scope of this Agreement);

2.3.6 Off-site maintenance of leased equipment and on-site supervision of such work;

2.3.7 It is recognized that certain equipment and systems of a highly technical and specialized nature will have to be installed at the Project. The nature of the equipment and systems, together with requirements of manufacturer’s warranty, may dictate that it be prefabricated, pre-piped, and/or pre-wired and that it be installed under the supervision and direction of the Owner’s and/or manufacturer’s personnel. The Unions agree to install such material, equipment and systems without incident, or allow such installation to be performed by the manufacturer’s employees or a contractor certified by the manufacturer where the Unions are unable to perform such work or the warranty requires the work to be performed by the employees of the manufacturer or a contractor certified by the manufacturer. If a warranty on the manufacturer’s specialty or technical equipment or systems purchased by the Owner requires that the installation of such specialty or technical equipment or system be performed by the manufacturer’s own personnel, then such installation may be performed by the manufacturer’s own personnel. If a warranty on the manufacturer’s specialty or technical equipment or systems purchased by the Owner requires that the installation of such specialty or technical equipment or system be performed by a contractor certified by the manufacturer, and there are no Union signatory contractors certified by the manufacturer to install and/or perform such work, then such installation may be performed by such certified contractor. The Contractor shall notify the

Unions at the pre-job conference of the use of this provision and shall provide copies of the written warranty that require that the work be performed by the manufacturer's own personnel, or a contractor certified by the manufacturer, to the affected Union. When the warranty does not require installation by the manufacturer's own personnel or a contractor certified by the manufacturer, the Unions agree to perform and install such work under the supervision and direction of the manufacturer's representative;

2.3.8 Non-construction support services contracted by the City, Community Workforce Coordinator, consultants, or Contractor in connection with this Project;

2.3.9 Off-site laboratory work for testing; and

2.3.10 The movement and placement of free-standing furniture owned or controlled by the Owner; however, the installation of office furniture that is attached to the realty shall be covered by this Agreement.

Section 2.4 After installation by the Contractor(s) and upon notice of completion, it is understood the City reserves the right to perform start-up, operation, repair, maintenance or revision of equipment or systems with persons of the City's choice. If required, the service representative may make a final check to protect the terms of a manufacturer's guarantee or warranty prior to start-up of a piece of equipment.

## Section 2.5 Awarding of Contracts:

2.5.1 The City and/or the Contractors, as appropriate, have the absolute right to award contracts or subcontracts on this Project to any Contractor notwithstanding the existence or non-existence of any agreements between such Contractor and any Union parties, provided only that such Contractor is ready, willing and able to execute and comply with this Community Workforce Agreement should such Contractor be awarded work covered by this Agreement.

2.5.2 Subject to section 2.6, below, it is agreed that all Contractors and subcontractors of whatever tier, who have been awarded contracts for work covered by this Agreement, shall be required to accept and be bound to the terms and conditions of this Community Workforce Agreement, and shall evidence their acceptance by the execution of the Letter of Assent set forth in **Attachment "A"** hereto, prior to the commencement of work. At the time that any Contractor enters into a subcontract with any subcontractor of any tier providing for the performance on the construction contract, the Contractor shall provide a copy of this Agreement to said subcontractor and shall require the subcontractor, as a part of accepting the award of a construction subcontract, to agree in writing in the form of a Letter of Assent to be bound by each and every provision of this Agreement prior to the commencement of work on the Project. No Contractor or subcontractor shall commence Project Work without having first provided a copy of the Letter of Assent as executed by it to the Community Workforce Coordinator and to the Council forty-eight (48) hours before the commencement of Project Work, or within forty-eight (48) hours after the award of Project Work to that Contractor (or subcontractor), whichever occurs later.



Section 2.6 Coverage Exception: This Agreement shall not apply if the City receives funding or assistance from any Federal, State, local or other public entity for the Construction Contract if a requirement, condition or other term of receiving that funding or assistance, at the time of the awarding of the contract, is that the City not require bidders, contractors, subcontractors or other persons or entities to enter into an agreement with one or more labor organizations or enter into an agreement that contains any of the terms set forth herein. The City agrees that it will make every effort to establish the enforcement of this Agreement with any governmental agency or granting authority. If the City receives funding or assistance from any Federal, State, local or other public entity for a Project, after award of such project, and such funding prohibits the use of this Agreement, the Parties shall meet and discuss the issue. The City agrees that it will make a good faith effort to establish the enforcement of this Agreement with any governmental agency or granting authority and the Unions agree to jointly defend and support any defense of a Project challenged because of the application of this Agreement to such Project.

Section 2.7 Master Labor Agreements:

2.7.1 The provisions of this Agreement, including the Master Labor Agreements (hereinafter “MLAs”), as such may be changed from time-to-time and which are incorporated herein by reference, shall apply to the work covered by this Agreement. This Agreement is not intended to supersede the MLAs between any of the Contractors performing construction work on the Project and a Union signatory thereto except to the extent the provisions of this Agreement are inconsistent with such MLAs, in which event the provisions of this Agreement shall apply. However, such does not apply to work performed under the National Cooling Tower Agreement, the National Stack Agreement, the National Transit Division Agreement (NTD), work within the jurisdiction of the International Union of Elevator Constructors, and all instrument calibration and loop checking work performed under the terms of the UA/IBEW Joint National Agreement for Instrument and Control Systems Technicians except that Articles dealing with Work Stoppages and Lock-Outs, Work Assignments and Jurisdictional Disputes, and Settlement of Grievances and Disputes shall apply to such work. Where a subject is covered by the provisions of an MLA and not covered by this Agreement, the provisions of the MLA shall apply. It is specifically agreed that no later agreement shall be deemed to have precedence over this Agreement unless signed by all Parties signatory hereto who are then currently employed or represented at the Project. Any dispute as to the applicable source between this Agreement and any MLA for determining the wages, hours or working conditions of employees on this Project shall be resolved under the procedures established in Article 9.

2.7.2 It is understood that this Agreement, together with the referenced MLAs, constitutes a self-contained, stand-alone agreement and by virtue of having become bound to this Community Workforce Agreement, the Contractor will not be obligated to sign any other local, area or national collective bargaining agreement as a condition of performing work within the scope of this Agreement (provided, however, that the Contractor may be required to sign an uniformly applied, non-discriminatory “Subscription Agreement” at the request of the trustees or administrator of a trust fund established pursuant to Section 302 of the Labor Management Relations Act, and to which such Contractor is bound to make contributions under this Agreement, provided that such Subscription Agreement does not purport to bind the Contractor beyond the terms and conditions of this Agreement and/or expand its obligation to make

contributions pursuant thereto). It shall be the responsibility of the prime Contractor to have each of its subcontractors sign such Subscription Agreement, to the extent required by this Agreement, with the appropriate Craft Union prior to the subcontractor beginning Project Work.

Section 2.8 Binding Signatories Only: This Agreement shall only be binding on the signatory Parties hereto, and shall not apply to the parents, affiliates, subsidiaries, or other ventures of any such Party.

Section 2.9 Other City Work: This Agreement shall be limited to the construction work within the Scope of this Agreement including, specifically, site preparation and related demolition work, and new construction and major rehabilitation work referenced in Section 2.2 above. Nothing contained herein shall be interpreted to prohibit, restrict, or interfere with the performance of any other operation, work or function not covered by this Agreement, which may be performed by City employees or contracted for by the City for its own account, on its property or in and around a Project site.

Section 2.10 Separate Liability: It is understood that the liability of the Contractor(s) and the liability of the separate Unions under this Agreement shall be several and not joint. The Unions agree that this Agreement does not have the effect of creating any joint employment status between or among the City or Community Workforce Coordinator and/or any Contractor.

Section 2.11 Completed Project Work: As areas, phases, portions, sections or segments of Project Work are accepted by the City, this Agreement shall have no further force or effect on such items or areas except where the Contractor is directed by the City or its representatives to engage in repairs, modification, check-out and/or warranties functions required by its contract(s) with the City.

### **ARTICLE 3 UNION RECOGNITION AND EMPLOYMENT**

Section 3.1 Recognition: The Contractor recognizes the Council and the Unions as the exclusive bargaining representative for the employees engaged in Project Work.

Section 3.2 Contractor Selection of Employees: The Contractor shall have the right to determine the competency of all employees, the duties of such employees within their craft jurisdiction, and shall have the sole responsibility for selecting employees to be laid off. The Contractor shall also have the right to reject any applicant referred by a Union for any reason, subject to any reporting pay required under the appropriate MLA; provided, however, that such right is exercised in good faith and not for the purpose of avoiding the Contractor's commitment to employ qualified workers through the procedures endorsed in this Agreement.

Section 3.3 Referral Procedures:

3.3.1 For signatory Unions now having a job referral system contained in a MLA, the Contractor agrees to comply with such system, and it shall be used exclusively by such Contractor, except as modified by this Agreement. Such job referral system will be operated in a

nondiscriminatory manner and in full compliance with federal, state, and local laws and regulations which require equal employment opportunities and non-discrimination. All of the foregoing hiring procedures, including related practices affecting apprenticeship, shall be operated so as to consider the goals of the City to encourage employment of Local Area Residents and participation of Local Area Contractors on the Project, and to facilitate the ability of all Contractors to meet their employment needs.

3.3.2 The Unions will exert their best efforts to recruit and refer sufficient numbers of skilled craft workers to fulfill the labor requirements of the Contractor, including specific employment obligations to which the Contractor may be legally and/or contractually obligated; and to refer apprentices as requested to develop a larger, skilled workforce. The Unions will work with their affiliated regional and national unions, and jointly with the Community Workforce Coordinator and others designated by the City, to identify and refer competent craft persons as needed for Project Work, and to identify and hire individuals, giving preference to Local Area Residents, for entrance into approved apprenticeship programs, or participation in other identified programs and procedures to assist individuals in qualifying and becoming eligible for such apprenticeship programs, all maintained to increase the available supply of skilled craft personnel.

3.3.3 The Union shall not knowingly refer an employee currently employed by a Contractor on Project Work to any other Contractor.

3.3.4 Core Workers: As the initial workers on the Project, a Local Area Contractor, which is not currently working under a Master Labor Agreement, that is awarded work on the Project may directly employ up to a maximum of three (3) members of its regular, local, experienced work force, where the employees so designated as “Core Workers” meet the following qualifications:

- (a) Possess any license required by state or Federal law for the Project work to be performed;
- (b) Have worked at least two thousand (2,000) hours in the applicable trade or craft;
- (c) Have been employed by the Contractor for at least sixty (60) working days of the one hundred (100) working days immediately preceding the award of the Project Work to the Contractor;
- (d) Are Local Area Residents;
- (e) Have the ability to safely perform the basic functions of the applicable craft or trade.

After directly employing up to three (3) Core Workers, the Local Area Contractor shall thereafter be subject to the procedures for Union referral of Project workers below. The Local Area

Contractor, upon request by the Community Workforce Coordinator, shall provide the necessary documentation to support the qualification of an employee as a Core Worker.

If additional workers are needed following the hiring of workers pursuant to the provisions above, then the Local Area Contractor shall request, and the Union shall refer a worker from its referral list. Local Area Contractors may then directly employ one (1) additional of their qualified Core Workers that is referred pursuant to the referral procedures referenced in this Section 3, after which one (1) worker shall be referred from the Union referral list. This alternating procedure of referral shall continue until a maximum of eight (8) qualified Core Workers have been directly employed by or referred to the Contractor. All additional workers shall be requested and referred pursuant to otherwise applicable Union referral list procedures and the local hire provisions of this Agreement. On layoffs, the Contractor shall reverse the alternating process. The Contractor shall notify the appropriate Union utilizing the Craft Request Form (**Attachment “C”**) and each of the additional workers utilized under the procedures in this paragraph shall register with the Union’s hiring hall before commencing work on the Project. If there is any question regarding a worker’s eligibility under this Section 3.3.4, the Contractor shall provide satisfactory proof of such at a Union’s request. The provisions of this Section 3.3.4 shall only apply to Local Area Contractors and workers who are not working under the terms of a Master Labor Agreement at the time of their transfer to work covered under this Agreement.

All other Contractors not currently signatory to a Master Labor Agreement that is awarded work on the Project may directly employ one (1) Core Worker (as defined below) that is referred pursuant to the referral procedures referenced in this Section 3 after which one (1) worker shall be referred from the Union referral list. This alternating procedure of referral shall continue until a maximum of five (5) qualified Core Workers have been directly employed by or referred to the Contractor. All additional workers shall be requested and referred pursuant to otherwise applicable Union referral list procedures and the local hire provisions of this Agreement. On layoffs, the Contractor shall reverse the alternating process. The Contractor shall notify the appropriate Union utilizing the Craft Request Form (**Attachment “C”**) and each of the additional workers utilized under the procedures in this paragraph shall register with the Union’s hiring hall before commencing work on the Project. If there is any question regarding a worker’s eligibility under this section 3.3.4, the Contractor shall provide satisfactory proof of such at a Union’s request. “Core Workers” are those employees who meet the following qualifications:

- (a) Possesses any license required by state or Federal law for the Project work to be performed;
- (b) Have worked at least two thousand (2,000) hours in the applicable trade or craft;
- (c) Have been employed by the Contractor for at least sixty (60) working days of the one hundred (100) working days immediately preceding the award of the Project Work to the Contractor; and
- (d) Have the ability to safely perform the basic functions of the applicable craft or trade.

The Core Workers shall present to and be dispatched through the applicable Union referral procedures.

3.3.4.1 Prior to each Contractor performing any work on the Project, each Contractor shall provide a list of its Core Workers to the Community Workforce Coordinator and the Council. Failure to do so will prohibit the Contractor from using any Core Workers. Upon request by any Party to this Agreement, the Contractor hiring any Core Worker shall provide satisfactory proof (e.g., payroll records, quarterly tax records, driver's license, voter registration, postal address and such other documentation) evidencing the Core Worker's qualification as a core employee to the Community Workforce Coordinator and the Council.

Section 3.4 Non-Discrimination in Referral, Employment, and Contracting: The Unions and Contractors agree that they will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment in hiring and dispatching on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, gender, national origin, age, membership in a labor organization, sexual orientation, political affiliation, marital status, or disability. The Parties shall jointly endeavor to assure that these commitments are fully met, and that any provisions of this Agreement which may appear to interfere within a local and small business enterprises successfully bidding for work within the scope of this Agreement shall be carefully reviewed, and adjustments made as may be appropriate and agreed upon among the Parties, to ensure full compliance with the spirit and letter of the City's policies and commitment to its goals for the significant utilization of local and small businesses as direct Contractors or suppliers for Project Work.

Section 3.5 Employment of Local Area Residents:

3.5.1 The Unions and Contractors agree that, to the maximum extent allowed by law, and as long as they possess the requisite skills and qualifications, the Unions will exert their best efforts to recruit sufficient numbers of skilled craft Local Area Residents as defined herein, to fulfill the requirements of the Contractors and shall refer on a priority basis all available, qualified Local Area Resident workers. In recognition of the fact that the City and the communities surrounding Project Work will be impacted by the construction of the Project, the Parties agree to support the hiring of Local Area Resident workers, as well as Veterans. Towards that end, the Unions agree that they will exert their best efforts to encourage and provide referrals and utilization of qualified workers in accordance with the following priority:

3.5.1.1 First, Local Area Residents residing in those first-tier zip codes which cover the City of San Luis Obispo (Tier 1), as reflected on the attached list of zip codes as reflected on **Attachment "B"**.

3.5.1.2 If the Unions cannot provide the Contractors with a sufficient number of qualified workers from Paragraph 3.5.1.1, above, the Unions will exert their best efforts to then recruit qualified workers residing within the County of San Luis Obispo (Tier 2), and shall refer all such available workers, giving first priority to Veterans residing in county.

3.5.1.3 If the Unions still have not provided the Contractors with a sufficient number of qualified workers from Paragraphs 3.5.1.1 and 3.5.1.2, above, the Unions will then exert their best efforts to recruit qualified workers residing in the zip codes specified within

Santa Barbara and Monterey counties (Tier 3), and shall refer all such available workers, giving first priority to Veterans residing in those zip codes.

3.5.1.4 If the Unions still have not provided the Contractors with a sufficient number of qualified workers from Paragraphs 3.6.1.1, 3.6.1.2, and 3.6.1.3 above, the Unions will then exert their best efforts to recruit qualified workers residing in the zip codes specified within Ventura County (Tier 4), and shall refer all such available workers, giving first priority to Veterans residing in those zip codes.

3.5.2 A goal of at least 50% of all of the construction labor hours worked on the Project shall be from Local Area Residents, with first priority referrals on all Contractor requests given to available Local Area Residents, in ascending order of tier, regardless of attainment of goals. To facilitate the dispatch of Local Area Residents, all Contractors will be required to utilize the Craft Employee Request Form whenever they are requesting the referral of any employee from a Union referral list for any Project Work, a sample of which is attached as **Attachment “C”**. Should the referral data show that the participation goal is not being met, the Parties agree to meet and confer regarding changes, including, but not limited to, increasing the number of Core Workers that are Local Area Residents, that can be immediately implemented in order to achieve the participation goal.

3.5.3 The Community Workforce Coordinator shall work with the Unions and Contractors in the administration of this Local Area Resident preference; and the Contractors and Unions shall cooperate by maintaining adequate records to demonstrate to the Community Workforce Coordinator that such preferences have been pursued.

3.5.4 In determining compliance with the targeted hiring goals of Section 3.5.2 above, hours of Project Work performed by residents of states other than California will be excluded from the calculation. Additionally, the Local Area residency requirement, set forth in Section 3.3.4(d), shall not apply to out of state workers.

Section 3.6 Helmets to Hardhats: The Contractors and the Unions recognize a desire to facilitate the entry into the building and construction trades of veterans who are interested in careers in the building and construction industry. The Contractors and Unions agree to utilize the services of the Center for Military Recruitment, Assessment and Veterans Employment (hereinafter “Center”) and the Center’s “Helmets to Hardhats” program to serve as a resource for preliminary orientation, assessment of construction aptitude, referral to apprenticeship programs or hiring halls, counseling and mentoring, support network, employment opportunities and other needs as identified by the Parties. For purposes of this Agreement, the term “Eligible Veteran” shall have the same meaning as the term “veteran” as defined under Title 5, Section 2108(1) of the United States Code as the same may be amended or re-codified from time to time. It shall be the responsibility of each qualified Local Area Resident to provide the Unions with proof of his/her status as an Eligible Veteran.

The Unions and Contractors agree to coordinate with the Center to create and maintain an integrated database of veterans interested in working on this Project and of apprenticeship and

employment opportunities for this Project. To the extent permitted by law, the Unions will give credit to such veterans for bona fide, provable past experience.

Section 3.7 Time for Referral: If any Union's registration and referral system does not fulfill the requirements for specific classifications requested by any Contractor within forty-eight (48) hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays), that Contractor may use employment sources other than the Union registration and referral services and may employ applicants meeting such standards from any other available source. The Contractors shall inform the Union of any applicants hired from other sources within forty-eight (48) hours of such applicant being hired, and such applicants shall register with the appropriate hiring hall, if any, prior to commencing work on the Project.

Section 3.8 Lack of Referral Procedure: If a signatory Union does not have a job referral system as set forth in Section 3.3 above, the Contractors shall give the Union equal opportunity to refer applicants. The Contractors shall notify the Union of employees so hired, as set forth in Section 3.5.

Section 3.9 Union Membership: Employees are not required to become or remain union members or pay dues or fees as a condition of performing covered work under this Agreement. Contractors shall make and transmit all deductions for union dues, fees, and assessments that have been authorized by employees in writing in accordance with the applicable Master Agreement. Nothing in this Section 3.9 is intended to supersede the requirements of applicable Master Agreements as to those Contractors otherwise signatory to such Master Agreements and as to the employees of those Contractors who are performing covered work.

Section 3.10 Individual Seniority: Except as provided in Section 4.3, individual seniority shall not be recognized or applied to employees working on the Project; provided, however, that group and/or classification seniority in a Union's MLA, as of the effective date of this Agreement shall be recognized for purposes of layoffs.

Section 3.11 Foremen: The selection and number of craft foreman and/or general foreman shall be the responsibility of the Contractor. All foremen shall take orders exclusively from the designated Contractor representatives. Craft foreman shall be designated as working foreman at the request of the Contractors.

## **ARTICLE 4 UNION ACCESS AND STEWARDS**

Section 4.1 Access to Project Sites: Authorized representatives of the Union shall have access to Project Work, provided that they do not interfere with the work of employees and further provided that such representatives fully comply with posted visitor, security, and safety rules.

Section 4.2 Stewards:

4.2.1 Each signatory Union shall have the right to dispatch a working journeyperson as a steward for each shift and shall notify the Contractor in writing of the identity of the designated steward or stewards prior to the assumption of such person's duties as steward. Such designated steward or stewards shall not exercise any supervisory functions. There will be no non-working stewards. Stewards will receive the regular rate of pay for their respective crafts.

4.2.2 In addition to his/her work as an employee, the steward should have the right to receive, but not to solicit, complaints or grievances and to discuss and assist in the adjustment of the same with the employee's appropriate supervisor. Each steward should be concerned only with the employees of the steward's Contractor and, if applicable, subcontractor(s), and not with the employees of any other Contractor. A Contractor will not discriminate against the steward on the basis of proper performance of his/her Union duties.

4.2.3 When a Contractor has multiple, non-contiguous work locations at one site, the Contractor may request, and the Union shall appoint such additional working stewards as the Contractor requests to provide independent coverage of one or more such locations. In such cases, a steward may not service more than one work location without the approval of the Contractor.

4.2.4 The stewards shall not have the right to determine when overtime shall be worked or who shall work overtime.

Section 4.3 Steward Layoff/Discharge: The relevant Contractor agrees to notify the appropriate Union twenty-four (24) hours before the layoff of a steward, except in the case of disciplinary discharge for just cause. If the steward is protected against such layoff by the provisions of the applicable MLA, such provisions shall be recognized when the steward possesses the necessary qualifications to perform the remaining work. In any case in which the steward is discharged or disciplined for just cause, the appropriate Union will be notified immediately by the Contractor, and such discharge or discipline shall not become final (subject to any later filed grievance) until twenty-four (24) hours after such notice has been given.

Section 4.4 Employees on Non-Project Work: On work where the personnel of the City may be working in close proximity to the construction activities covered by this Agreement, the Union agrees that the Union representatives, stewards, and individual workers will not interfere with the City personnel, or with personnel employed by the any other employer not a Party to this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 5 WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Section 5.1 Wages: All employees covered by this Agreement shall be classified in accordance with work performed and paid by the Contractors the hourly wage rates for those classifications in compliance with the applicable prevailing wage rate determination established pursuant to applicable law. If a prevailing rate increases under law, the Contractor shall pay that rate as of its effective date under the law. Notwithstanding any other provision of this



Agreement, this Agreement does not relieve Contractors directly signatory to one or more of the Master Labor Agreements from paying all wages set forth in such Agreements.

Section 5.2 Benefits:

5.2.1 Contractors shall pay contributions to the established employee benefit funds in the amounts designated in the appropriate MLA and make all employee authorized deductions in the amounts designated in the appropriate MLA; provided, however, that such contributions shall not exceed the contribution amounts set forth in the applicable prevailing wage determination. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, Contractors directly signatory to one or more of the Master Labor Agreements are required to make all contributions set forth in those Master Labor Agreements without reference to the forgoing. Bona fide benefit plans with joint trustees or authorized employee deduction programs established or negotiated under the applicable MLA, or by the Parties to this Agreement during the life of this Agreement may be added.

5.2.2 The Contractor adopts and agrees to be bound by the written terms of the applicable, legally established, trust agreement(s) specifying the detailed basis on which payments are to be made into, and benefits paid out of, such trust funds for its employees. The Contractor authorizes the parties to such trust funds to appoint trustees and successor trustees to administer the trust funds and hereby ratifies and accepts the trustees so appointed as if made by the Contractor.

5.2.3 Each Contractor and subcontractor is required to certify to the Community Workforce Coordinator that it has paid all benefit contributions due and owing to the appropriate Trust(s) prior to the receipt of its final payment and/or retention. Further, upon timely notification by a Union to the Community Workforce Coordinator, the Community Workforce Coordinator shall work with any prime Contractor or subcontractor who is delinquent in payments to assure that proper benefit contributions are made, to the extent of requesting the City or the prime Contractor to withhold payments otherwise due such Contractor, until such contributions have been made or otherwise guaranteed.

Section 5.3 Wage Premiums: Wage premiums, including but not limited to pay based on height of work, hazard pay, scaffold pay, and special skills shall not be applicable to work under this Agreement, except to the extent provided for in any applicable prevailing wage determination.

Section 5.4 Compliance with Prevailing Wage Laws: The Parties agree that the Community Workforce Coordinator shall monitor the compliance by all Contractors and subcontractors with all applicable federal and state prevailing wage laws and regulations, and that such monitoring shall include Contractors engaged in what would otherwise be Project Work but for the exceptions to Agreement coverage in Section 2.2. All complaints regarding possible prevailing wage violations shall be referred to the Community Workforce Coordinator for processing, investigation, and resolution, and if not resolved within thirty (30) calendar days, may be referred by any party to the state labor commissioner.

**ARTICLE 6**  
**WORK STOPPAGES AND LOCK-OUTS**

Section 6.1 No Work Stoppages or Disruptive Activity: The Council and the Unions agree that neither they, and each of them, nor their respective officers or agents or representatives, shall incite or encourage, condone or participate in any strike, walk-out, slow-down, picketing, observing picket lines or other activity of any nature or kind whatsoever, for any cause or dispute whatsoever with respect to or in any way related to Project Work, or which interferes with or otherwise disrupts Project Work, or with respect to or related to the City or Contractors or subcontractors, including, but not limited to economic strikes, unfair labor practice strikes, safety strikes, sympathy strikes and jurisdictional strikes whether or not the underlying dispute is subject to arbitration. Any such actions by the Council, or Unions, or their members, agents, representatives or the employees they represent shall constitute a violation of this Agreement. The Council and the Union shall take all steps necessary to obtain compliance with this Article and neither should be held liable for conduct for which it is not responsible.

Section 6.2 Employee Violations: The Contractor may discharge any employee violating Section 6.1 above and any such employee will not be eligible for rehire under this Agreement.

Section 6.3 Standing to Enforce: The City, the Community Workforce Coordinator, or any Contractor affected by an alleged violation of Section 6.1 shall have standing and the right to enforce the obligations established therein.

Section 6.4 Expiration of MLAs: If the MLA, or any local, regional, and other applicable collective bargaining agreements expire during the term of the Project, the Union(s) agree that there shall be no work disruption of any kind as described in Section 6.1 above as a result of the expiration of any such agreement(s) having application on this Project and/or failure of the involved Parties to that agreement to reach a new contract. Terms and conditions of employment established and set at the time of bid shall remain established and set. Otherwise to the extent that such agreement does expire and the parties to that agreement have failed to reach concurrence on a new contract, work will continue on the Project on one of the following two (2) options, both of which will be offered by the Unions involved to the Contractors affected:

6.4.1 Each of the Unions with a contract expiring must offer to continue working on the Project under interim agreements that retain all the terms of the expiring contract, except that the Unions involved in such expiring contract may each propose wage rates and employer contribution rates to employee benefit funds under the prior contract different from what those wage rates and employer contributions rates were under the expiring contracts. The terms of the Union's interim agreement offered to Contractors will be no less favorable than the terms offered by the Union to any other employer or group of employers covering the same type of construction work in San Luis Obispo County.

6.4.2 Each of the Unions with a contract expiring must offer to continue working on the Project under all the terms of the expiring contract, including the wage rates and employer contribution rates to the employee benefit funds, if the Contractor affected by that expiring contract agrees to the following retroactive provisions: if a new MLA, local, regional or other

applicable labor agreement for the industry having application at the Project is ratified and signed during the term of this Agreement and if such new labor agreement provides for retroactive wage increases, then each affected Contractor shall pay to its employees who performed work covered by this Agreement at the Project during the hiatus between the effective dates of such expired and new labor agreements, an amount equal to any such retroactive wage increase established by such new labor agreement, retroactive to whatever date is provided by the new labor agreement for such increase to go into effect, for each employee's hours worked on the Project during the retroactive period. All Parties agree that such affected Contractors shall be solely responsible for any retroactive payment to its employees.

6.4.3 Some Contractors may elect to continue to work on the Project under the terms of the interim agreement option offered under Paragraph 6.4.1, above and other Contractors may elect to continue to work on the Project under the retroactivity option offered under paragraph 6.4.2, above. To decide between the two options, Contractors will be given one week after the particular labor agreement has expired or one week after the Union has personally delivered to the Contractors in writing its specific offer of terms of the interim agreement pursuant to Paragraph (a) above, whichever is the later date. If the Contractor fails to timely select one of the two options, the Contractor shall be deemed to have selected the retroactivity option offered under Paragraph 6.4.2, above.

Section 6.5 No Lockouts: Contractors shall not cause, incite, encourage, condone or participate in any lock-out of employees with respect to Project Work during the term of this Agreement. The term "lock-out" refers only to a Contractor's exclusion of employees in order to secure collective bargaining advantage, and does not refer to the discharge, termination or layoff of employees by the Contractor for any reason in the exercise of rights pursuant to any provision of this Agreement, or any other agreement, nor does "lock-out" include the City's decision to stop, suspend or discontinue any Project Work or any portion thereof for any reason.

Section 6.6 Best Efforts to End Violations:

6.6.1 If a Contractor contends that there is any violation of this Article or Section 7.3, it shall notify, in writing, the Executive Secretary of the Council, the Senior Executive of the involved Union(s) and the Community Workforce Coordinator. The Executive Secretary and the leadership of the involved Union(s) will immediately instruct, order and use their best efforts to cause the cessation of any violation of the relevant Article.

6.6.2 If the Union contends that any Contractor has violated this Article, it will notify the Contractor and the Community Workforce Coordinator, setting forth the facts which the Union contends violate the Agreement, at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to invoking the procedures of Section 6.8. The Community Workforce Coordinator shall promptly order the involved Contractor(s) to cease any violation of the Article.

Section 6.7 Withholding of services for failure to pay wages and fringe benefits: Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, it shall not be a violation of this Agreement for any Union to withhold the services of its members (but not the right to picket) from a particular Contractor who fails to timely pay its weekly payroll; or fails to make

timely payments to the Union's Joint Labor/Management Trust Funds in accordance with the provisions of the applicable MLA. Prior to withholding its members' services for the Contractor's failure to make timely payments to the Union's Joint Labor/Management Trust Funds, the Union shall give at least ten (10) days (unless a lesser period of time is provided in the Union's MLA, but in no event less than seventy-two (72) hours) written notice of such failure to pay by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, and by facsimile transmission to the involved Contractor and the City. Union will meet within the ten (10) day period to attempt to resolve the dispute.

6.7.1 Upon the payment of the delinquent Contractor of all monies due and then owing for wages and/or fringe benefit contributions, the Union shall direct its members to return to work and the Contractor shall return all such members back to work.

Section 6.8 Expedited Enforcement Procedure: Any Party, including the City, which is an intended beneficiary of this Article, or the Community Workforce Coordinator, may institute the following procedures, in lieu of or in addition to any other action at law or equity, when a breach of Section 6.1, 6.5 or Section 7.3 is alleged.

6.8.1 The Party invoking this procedure shall notify Lou Zigman, or, if Mr. Zigman is unavailable, Sara Adler, who have been selected by the negotiating Parties, and whom the Parties agree shall be the permanent arbitrator and alternate arbitrator under this procedure. If the permanent arbitrator is unavailable at any time, the party invoking this procedure shall notify Sara Adler. Notice to the arbitrator shall be by the most expeditious means available, with notices to the Parties alleged to be in violation, and to the Council if it is a Union alleged to be in violation. For purposes of this Article, written notice may be given by telegram, facsimile, hand-delivery or overnight mail and will be deemed effective upon receipt.

6.8.2 Upon receipt of said notice, the arbitrator named above, or his/her alternate shall sit and hold a hearing within twenty-four (24) hours if it is contended that the violation still exists, but not sooner than twenty-four (24) hours after notice has been dispatched to the Council of the involved Union(s) and/or Contractor.

6.8.3 The arbitrator shall notify the Parties of the place and time chosen for this hearing. Said hearing shall be completed in one session, which, with appropriate recesses at the arbitrator's discretion, shall not exceed twenty-four (24) hours unless otherwise agreed upon by all Parties. A failure of any Party or Parties to attend said hearings shall not delay the hearing of evidence or the issuance of any award by the arbitrator.

6.8.4 The sole issue at the hearing shall be whether or not a violation of Sections 6.1, 6.5 or Section 7.3 has in fact occurred. The arbitrator shall have no authority to consider any matter in justification, explanation or mitigation of such violation or to award damages. The Award shall be issued in writing within three (3) hours after the close of the hearing and may be issued without an opinion. If any Party desires a written opinion, one shall be issued within fifteen (15) days, but its issuance shall not delay compliance with, or enforcement of, the Award. The arbitrator may order cessation of the violation of the Article and other appropriate relief, and such Award, upon issuance, shall be served on all Parties by hand or registered mail.

6.8.5 Such Award shall be final and binding on all Parties and may be enforced by any court of competent jurisdiction upon the filing of this Agreement and all other relevant documents referred to herein above in the following manner. Written notice of the filing of such enforcement proceedings shall be given to the other Party. In any judicial proceeding to obtain a temporary order enforcing the arbitrator's Award as issued under this Article, all Parties waive the right to a hearing and agree that such proceedings may be ex parte. Such agreement does not waive any Party's right to participate in a hearing for a final order of enforcement. The court's order or orders enforcing the arbitrator's award shall be served on all Parties by hand or by delivery to their address as shown on this Agreement (for a Union), as shown in their business contract for work under this Agreement (for a Contractor) and to the representing Union (for an employee), by certified mail by the Party or Parties first alleging the violation.

6.8.6 Any rights created by statute or law governing arbitration proceedings inconsistent with the above procedure or which interfere with compliance hereto are hereby waived by the Parties to whom they accrue.

6.8.7 The fees and expenses of the arbitrator shall be equally divided between the Party or Parties initiating this procedure and the respondent Party or Parties.

6.8.8 Liquidated Damages. If the arbitrator determines that a work stoppage, in violation of Section 6.1 has occurred, the respondent Unions(s) shall, within eight (8) hours of receipt of the award, direct all the employees they represent on the project to immediately return to work. If the craft(s) involved does not return to work by the beginning of the next regularly scheduled shift following such eight (8) hour period after receipt of the arbitrator's award, and the respondent Union(s) have not complied with their obligation to immediately instruct, order, and use their best efforts to cause a cessation of the violation and return of the employees they represent to work, then the respondent Union(s) shall each pay a sum as liquidated damages to the City, and each shall pay an additional sum per shift for each shift thereafter on which the craft(s) has not returned to work. Similarly, if the arbitrator determines that a lock-out, in violation of Section 6.5 has occurred, the respondent Contractor(s) shall, within eight (8) hours of receipt of the award, return all the affected employees to work on the Project, or otherwise correct the violation as found by the arbitrator. If the respondent Contractor(s) do not take such action by the beginning of the next regularly scheduled shift following the eight (8) hour period, each respondent Contractor shall pay a sum as liquidated damages in equal amounts to the City and to the affected Union(s) (with union amounts to be apportioned among the affected employees and the benefit funds to which contributions are made on their behalf, as appropriate and designated by the Arbitrator) and each shall pay an additional sum per shift for each shift thereafter in which compliance by the respondent Contractor(s) has not been completed. The Arbitrator shall retain jurisdiction to determine compliance with this Section and to establish the appropriate sum of liquidated damages, which shall not be less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per shift, nor more than twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) per shift.

**ARTICLE 7**  
**WORK ASSIGNMENTS AND JURISDICTIONAL DISPUTES**

Section 7.1 Assignment of Work: The assignment of Project Work will be solely the responsibility of the Contractor performing the work involved; and such work assignments will be in accordance with the Plan for the Settlement of Jurisdictional Disputes in the Construction Industry (the “Plan”) or any successor Plan.

Section 7.2 The Plan: All jurisdictional disputes on this Project between or among the building and construction trades Unions and the Contractor parties to this Agreement, shall be settled and adjusted according to the present Plan established by the Building and Construction Trades Department or any other plan or method of procedure that may be adopted in the future by the Building and Construction Trades Department. Decisions rendered shall be final, binding and conclusive on the Contractor and Union parties to this Agreement.

7.2.1 If a dispute arising under this Article involves the Southwest Regional Council of Carpenters or any of its subordinate bodies, an Arbitrator shall be chosen by the procedures specified in Article V, Section 5, of the Plan from a list composed of John Kagel, Robert Hirsch, and Thomas Pagan, and the Arbitrator’s hearing on the dispute shall be held at the offices of the applicable Building and Construction Trades Council within fourteen (14) days of the selection of the Arbitrator. All other procedures shall be as specified in the Plan.

Section 7.3 No Work Disruption Over Jurisdiction: All jurisdictional disputes shall be resolved without the occurrence of any strike, work stoppage, or slow-down of any nature, and the Contractor’s assignment shall be adhered to until the dispute is resolved. Individuals violating this section shall be subject to immediate discharge.

Section 7.4 Pre-Job Conferences: As provided in Article 14, each Contractor will conduct a pre-job conference with the Council prior to commencing work. The Contractor and the Owner will be advised in advance of all such conferences and may participate if they wish. Pre-job conferences for different Employers may be held together.

Section 7.5 Resolution of Jurisdictional Disputes: If any actual or threatened strike, sympathy strike, work stoppage, slow down, picketing, hand-billing or otherwise advising the public that a labor dispute exists, or interference with the progress of Project Work by reason of a jurisdictional dispute or disputes occurs, the Parties shall exhaust the expedited procedures set forth in the Plan, if such procedures are in the plan then currently in effect, or otherwise as in Article 6 above.

**ARTICLE 8**  
**MANAGEMENT RIGHTS**

Section 8.1 Contractor and City Rights: The City and the Contractor retain the full and exclusive authority for the management of its operations, as set forth in this Article, unless expressly limited or required by the other Articles of this Agreement or an MLA. In addition to the following and other rights of the Contractors enumerated in this Agreement, the Contractors

expressly reserve their management rights and all the rights conferred upon them by law. The Contractor's rights include, but are not limited to, the right to:

8.1.1 Plan, direct and control operations of all work;

8.1.2 Hire, promote, transfer and layoff their own employees, respectively, as deemed appropriate to satisfy work and/or skill requirements;

8.1.3 Promulgate and require all employees to observe reasonable job rules and security and safety regulations;

8.1.4 Discharge, suspend or discipline their own employees for just cause;

8.1.5 Utilize, in accordance with City approval, any work methods, procedures or techniques, and select, use and install any types or kinds of materials, apparatus or equipment, regardless of source of manufacture or construction; assign and schedule work at their discretion; and

8.1.6 Assign overtime, determine when it will be worked, and the number and identity of employees engaged in such work, subject to such provisions in the applicable MLA(s) requiring such assignments be equalized or otherwise made in a nondiscriminatory manner.

Section 8.2 Specific City Rights: In addition to the following and other rights of the City enumerated in this Agreement, the City expressly reserves its management rights and all the rights conferred on it by law. The City's rights (and those of the Community Workforce Coordinator on its behalf) include but are not limited to the right to:

8.2.1 Inspect any construction site or facility to ensure that the Contractor follows the applicable safety and other work requirements;

8.2.2 Require Contractors to establish a different work week or shift schedule for particular employees as required to meet the operational needs of the Project Work at particular locations;

8.2.3 At its sole option, terminate, delay and/or suspend any and all portions of the Project Work at any time; prohibit some or all work on certain days or during certain hours of the day to accommodate the ongoing operations of the City's facilities and/or to mitigate the effect of ongoing Project Work on businesses and residents in the neighborhood of the Project site; and/or require such other operational or schedule changes it deems necessary, in its sole judgment, to effectively maintain its primary mission and remain a good neighbor to those in the area of its facilities. (In order to permit the Contractors and Unions to make appropriate scheduling plans, the City will provide the Community Workforce Coordinator, and the affected Contractor(s) and Union(s) with reasonable notice of any changes it requires pursuant to this Section; provided, however, that if notice is not provided in time to advise employees not to report for work, show-up pay shall be due pursuant to the provision of Article 6, Section 6.6);

8.2.4 Approve any work methods, procedures and techniques used by Contractors whether or not these methods, procedures or techniques are part of industry practices or customs, provided that nothing herein shall require such approval or extend any liability related to work performed by Contractors to the City; and

8.2.5 Investigate and process complaints, through its Community Workforce Coordinator, in the matter set forth in Articles 6 and 9.

Section 8.3 Use of Materials: There should be no limitations or restriction by Union upon a Contractor's choice of materials or design, nor, regardless of source or location, upon the full use and utilization, of equipment, machinery, packaging, precast, prefabricated, prefinished, or preassembled materials, tools or other labor saving devices, subject to the application of the State Public Contract and Labor Codes as required by law in reference to offsite construction. Generally, the onsite installation or application of such items shall be performed by the craft having jurisdiction over such work. The City and its Community Workforce Coordinator shall advise all Contractors of, and enforce as appropriate, the off-site application of the prevailing wage law as it affects Project Work.

Section 8.4 Special Equipment, Warranties and Guaranties:

8.4.1 The Parties recognize that the Contractor will initiate from time to time the use of new technology, equipment, machinery, tools, and other labor-savings devices and methods of performing Project Work. The Union agrees that they will not restrict the implementation of such devices or work methods. The Unions will accept and will not refuse to handle, install or work with any standardized and/or catalogue: parts, assemblies, accessories, prefabricated items, preassembled items, partially assembled items, or materials whatever their source of manufacture or construction.

8.4.2 If any disagreement between the Contractor and the Unions concerning the methods of implementation or installation of any equipment, or device or item, or method of work, arises, or whether a particular part or pre-assembled item is a standardized or catalog part or item, the work will precede as directed by the Contractor and the Parties shall immediately consult over the matter. If the disagreement is not resolved, the affected Union(s) shall have the right to proceed through the procedures set forth in Article 9.

## **ARTICLE 9 SETTLEMENT OF GRIEVANCES AND DISPUTES**

Section 9.1 Cooperation and Harmony on Site:

9.1.1 This Agreement is intended to establish and foster continued close cooperation between management and labor. The Council shall assign a representative to this Project for the purpose of assisting the Unions, and working with the Community Workforce Coordinator, together with the Contractors, to complete the construction of the Project economically, efficiently, continuously and without any interruption, delays or work stoppages.



9.1.2 The Community Workforce Coordinator, the Contractors, Unions, and employees collectively and individually, realize the importance to all Parties of maintaining continuous and uninterrupted performance Project Work, and agree to resolve disputes in accordance with the grievance provisions set forth in this Article or, as appropriate, those of Article 6 or 7.

9.1.3 The Community Workforce Coordinator shall oversee the processing of grievances under this Article and Article 6, including the scheduling and arrangements of facilities for meetings, selection of the arbitrator from the agreed-upon panel to hear the case, and any other administrative matters necessary to facilitate the timely resolution of any dispute; provided, however, it is the responsibility of the principal parties to any pending grievance to insure the time limits and deadlines are met.

Section 9.2 Processing Grievances: Any questions arising out of and during the term of this Agreement involving its interpretation and application, which includes applicable provisions of the MLAs, but not jurisdictional disputes or alleged violations of Section 6.1 and 6.5 and similar provisions, shall be considered a grievance and subject to resolution under the following procedures.

Step 1. Employee Grievances: When any employee subject to the provisions of this Agreement feels aggrieved by an alleged violation of this Agreement, the employee shall, through his Union business representative or job steward, within ten (10) working days after the occurrence of the violation, give notice to the work site representative of the involved Contractor stating the provision(s) alleged to have been violated. A business representative of the Union or the job steward and the work site representative of the involved Contractor shall meet and endeavor to adjust the matter within ten (10) working days after timely notice has been given. If they fail to resolve the matter within the prescribed period, the grieving party may, within ten (10) working days thereafter, pursue Step 2 of this grievance procedure provided the grievance is reduced to writing, setting forth the relevant information, including a short description thereof, the date on which the alleged violation occurred, and the provision(s) of the Agreement alleged to have been violated. Grievances and disputes settled at Step 1 shall be non-precedential except as to the parties directly involved.

Union or Contractor Grievances: Should the Union(s) or any Contractor have a dispute with the other party(ies) and, if after conferring within ten (10) working days after the disputing party knew or should have known of the facts or occurrence giving rise to the dispute, a settlement is not reached within five (5) working days, the dispute shall be reduced to writing and processed to Step 2 in the same manner as outlined in 1(a) above for the adjustment of an employee complaint.

Step 2. The business manager of the involved Union or his designee, together with the site representative of the involved Contractor, and the labor relations representative of the Community Workforce Coordinator, shall meet within seven (7) working days of the referral of the dispute to this second step to arrive at a satisfactory settlement thereof. If the Parties fail to reach an agreement, the dispute may be appealed in writing in accordance with the provisions of Step 3 within seven (7) calendar days after the initial meeting at Step 2.

Step 3. (a) If the grievance shall have been submitted but not resolved under Step 2, either the Union or Contractor party may request in writing to the Community Workforce Coordinator (with copy(ies) to the other party(ies)) within seven (7) calendar days after the initial Step 2 meeting, that the grievance be submitted to an arbitrator selected from the agreed upon list of experienced construction industry arbitrators below, on a rotational basis in the order listed. Those arbitrators are: (1) Louis Zigman; (2) Sara Adler; (3) Fredric Horowitz; (4) Edna Francis; (5) William Rule; (6) Walt Daugherty; and (7) Michael Rappaport. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding on all parties and the fee and expenses of such arbitrations shall be borne equally by the involved Contractor(s) and the involved Union(s).

(b) Failure of the grieving party to adhere to the time limits established herein shall render the grievance null and void. The time limits established herein may be extended only by written consent of the parties involved at the particular step where the extension is agreed upon. The arbitrator shall have the authority to make decisions only on issues presented and shall not have the authority to change, amend, add to or detract from any of the provisions of this Agreement.

(c) The fees and expenses incurred by the arbitrator, as well as those jointly utilized by the parties (e.g., conference room, court reporter, etc.) in arbitration, shall be divided equally by the parties to the arbitration, including Union(s) and Contractor(s) involved.

**Section 9.3 Limit on Use of Procedures:** Procedures contained in this Article shall not be applicable to any alleged violation of Articles 6 or 7, with a single exception that any employee discharged for violation of Section 6.2, or Section 7.3, may resort to the procedures of this Article to determine only if he/she was, in fact, engaged in that violation.

**Section 9.4 Notice:** The Community Workforce Coordinator (and the City, in the case of any grievance regarding the Scope of this Agreement) shall be notified by the involved Contractor of all actions at Steps 2 and 3, and further, the Community Workforce Coordinator shall, upon its own request, be permitted to participate fully as a party in all proceedings at such steps.

## **ARTICLE 10 REGULATORY COMPLIANCE**

**Section 10.1 Compliance with All Laws:** The Council and all Unions, Contractors, subcontractors and their employed shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws, ordinances and regulations including, but not limited to, those relating to safety and health, employment and applications for employment. All employees shall comply with the safety regulations established by the City and/or the Contractor. Workers must promptly report any injuries or accidents as required by applicable policy and/or law.

**Section 10.2 Monitoring Compliance:** The Parties agree that the City shall require, and that the Community Workforce Coordinator and Council shall monitor, compliance by all Contractors and subcontractors with all federal and state law regulations that, from time to time may apply to Project Work. It shall be the responsibility of both the Council and the Community Workforce Coordinator (on behalf of the City) to investigate or monitor compliance with these various laws

and regulations and any suspected non-compliance observed by the Council shall be immediately reported to the Community Workforce Coordinator. The Council may recommend to the Community Workforce Coordinator and/or the City procedures to encourage and enforce compliance with these laws and regulations.

Section 10.3 Prevailing Wage Compliance: The Council or Union shall refer all complaints regarding any potential prevailing wage violation to the Community Workforce Coordinator, who on its own, or with the assistance of the City's labor compliance program, shall process, investigate and resolve such complaints, consistent with Article 5, Section 5.4. The Council or Union, as appropriate, shall be advised in a timely manner with regard to the facts and resolution, if any, of any complaint. It is understood that this Section does not restrict any individual rights as established under the State Labor Code, including the rights of an individual to file a complaint with the State Labor Commissioner or to file a grievance for such violation under the grievance procedure set forth in this Agreement.

Section 10.4 Violations of Law: Based upon a finding of violation by the City of a federal and state law, and upon notice to the Contractor that it or its subcontractors are in such violation, the City, in the absence of the Contractor or subcontractor remedying such violation, shall take such action as it is permitted by law or contract to encourage that Contractor to come into compliance, including, but not limited to, assessing fines and penalties, and/or removing the offending Contractor from Project Work. Additionally, in accordance with the Agreement between the City and the Contractor, the City may cause the Contractor to remove from Project Work any subcontractor who is in violation of state or federal law.

## **ARTICLE 11 SAFETY AND PROTECTION OF PERSON AND PROPERTY**

### Section 11.1 Safety:

11.1.1 It shall be the responsibility of each Contractor to ensure safe working conditions and employee compliance with any safety rules contained herein or established by the City and/or the Contractor. It is understood that employees have an individual obligation to use diligent care to perform their work in a safe manner and to protect themselves and the property of the Contractor and the City.

11.1.2 Employees shall be bound by the safety, security, and visitor rules established by the Contractor and/or the City. These rules will be published and posted. An employee's failure to satisfy his/her obligations under this section will subject him/her to discipline, up to and including discharge.

11.1.3 Projects covered by this Agreement shall be drug-free workplaces conforming to the requirements of the California Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990 and the Federal Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988.

11.1.4 The Parties to this Agreement adopt the Tri Counties Building and Construction Trades Council Approved Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Attachment “D,”** and which shall be the policy and procedure utilized under this Agreement.

Section 11.2 Suspension of Work for Safety: A Contractor may suspend all or a portion of the job to protect the life and safety of employees. In such cases, employees will be compensated only for the actual time worked; provided, however, that where the Contractor requests employees to remain at the site and be available for work, the employees will be compensated for stand-by time at their basic hourly rate of pay.

Section 11.3 Water and Sanitary Facilities: The Contractor shall provide adequate supplies of drinking water and sanitary facilities for all employees as required by state law or regulation.

## **ARTICLE 12 TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE**

Travel expenses, travel time, subsistence allowances, zone rates and parking reimbursements shall be paid in accordance with the applicable MLA unless superseded by the applicable prevailing wage determination.

## **ARTICLE 13 APPRENTICES**

Section 13.1 Importance of Training: The Parties recognize the need to maintain continuing support of the programs designed to develop adequate numbers of competent workers in the construction industry, the obligation to capitalize on the availability of the local work force in the area served by the City, and the opportunities to provide continuing work under the construction program. To these ends, the Parties will facilitate, encourage, and assist Local Area Residents to commence and progress in an Approved Apprenticeship Programs and/or training programs in the construction industry leading to participation in such apprenticeship programs. The City, the Community Workforce Coordinator, and the Council, will work cooperatively to identify, or establish and maintain, effective programs and procedures for persons interested in entering the construction industry and which will help prepare them for the formal joint labor/management apprenticeship programs maintained by the signatory Unions.

13.1.1 All Apprentices performing work on the project must be registered apprentices training under apprenticeship standards that include the specific work processes that will be performed by the contractor’s journeymen and shall only be assigned work that is included in the apprenticeship standards under which they are indentured.

Section 13.2 Use of Apprentices:

13.2.1 Apprentices used on Projects under this Agreement shall be registered in Approved Apprenticeship Programs approved by the State of California and the Federal Department of Labor, to the extent required by any Project funding source. Apprentices may comprise up to thirty percent (30%) of each craft’s work force at any time, unless the standards

of the applicable joint apprenticeship committee confirmed by the Division of Apprenticeship Standards (“DAS”), establish a lower or higher maximum percentage, and where such is the case, the applicable Union should use its best efforts with its apprenticeship committee and, if necessary, the DAS to permit up to thirty percent (30%) apprentices on the Project.

13.2.2 The Unions agree to cooperate with the Contractor in furnishing apprentices as requested up to the maximum percentage. The apprentice ratio for each craft shall be in compliance, at a minimum, with the applicable provisions of the Labor Code relating to utilization of apprentices. The City shall encourage such utilization, and, both as to apprentices and the overall supply of experienced workers, the Community Workforce Coordinator will work with the Council to assure appropriate and maximum utilization of apprentices and the continuing availability of both apprentices and journey persons.

13.2.3 The Parties agree that apprentices will not be dispatched to Contractors working under this Agreement unless there is a journeyman working on the project where the apprentice is to be employed who is qualified to assist and oversee the apprentice’s progress through the program in which he is participating.

13.2.4 All apprentices shall work under the direct supervision of a journeyman from the trade in which the apprentice is indentured. A journeyman shall be defined as set forth in the California Code of Regulations, Title 8 [apprenticeship], Section 205, which defines a journeyman as a person who has either completed an accredited apprenticeship in his or her craft or has completed the equivalent of an apprenticeship in length and content of work experience and all other requirements in the craft which has workers classified as journeyman in the apprenticeship occupation. Should a question arise as to a journeyman’s qualification under this subsection, the Contractor shall provide adequate proof evidencing the worker’s qualification as a journeyman to the Community Workforce Coordinator and the Council.

## **ARTICLE 14 PRE-JOB CONFERENCES**

Each prime Contractor will conduct a pre-job conference with the Unions for it and all of its subcontractors not later than fourteen (14) calendar days prior to commencing work for each stage of the Project. Each Contractor conducting a pre-job shall notify the Council and all subcontractors of all tiers, who shall participate in such conferences, seven (7) days in advance of all such conferences. The purpose of the conference will be to, among other things, determine craft manpower needs, schedule of work for the contract and project work rules/owner rules. The Council, the Community Workforce Coordinator, and the City shall be advised in advance of all such conferences and may participate if they wish. All work assignments shall be disclosed by the prime Contractor and all Contractors at the pre-job conference. Should there be Project Work that was not previously discussed at the pre-job conference, or additional project work be added, the contractors performing such work will conduct a separate pre-job conference for such newly included work. Any Union in disagreement with the proposed assignment shall notify the Contractor of its position in writing, with a copy to Community Workforce Coordinator, within seven (7) calendar days thereafter. Within seven (7) calendar days after the period allowed for Union notices of disagreement with the Contractor’s proposed assignments, but prior to the

commencement of any work, the Contractor shall make final assignments in writing with copies to the Council and to the Community Workforce Coordinator.

## **ARTICLE 15 LABOR/MANAGEMENT COOPERATION**

Section 15.1 Joint Committee: The Parties to this Agreement shall establish a six (6) person Joint Administrative Committee (JAC). This JAC shall be comprised of three (3) representatives selected by the City and three (3) representatives selected by the Council to monitor compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Each representative shall designate an alternate who shall serve in his or her absence for any purpose contemplated by this Agreement.

Section 15.2 Functions of Joint Committee: The Committee shall meet on a schedule to be determined by the Committee or at the call of the joint chairs, to discuss the administration of the Agreement, the progress of the Project, general labor management problems that may arise, and any other matters consistent with this Agreement. Substantive grievances or disputes arising under Articles 6, 7 or 9 shall not be reviewed or discussed by this Committee but shall be processed pursuant to the provisions of the appropriate Article. The Community Workforce Coordinator shall be responsible for the scheduling of the meetings, the preparation of the agenda topics for the meetings, with input from the Unions the Contractors and the City. Notice of the date, time and place of meetings, shall be given to the Committee members at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting. The City should be notified of the meetings and invited to send a representative(s) to participate. The Community Workforce Coordinator shall prepare quarterly reports on apprentice utilization and the training and employment of City residents, and a schedule of Project Work and estimated number of craft workers needed. The Committee or an appropriate subcommittee, may review such reports and make any recommendations for improvement, if necessary, including increasing the availability of skilled trades, and the employment of local residents or other individuals who should be assisted with appropriate training to qualify for apprenticeship programs.

## **ARTICLE 16 SAVINGS AND SEPARABILITY**

Section 16.1 Savings Clause: It is not the intention of the City, the Community Workforce Coordinator, Contractor or the Union parties to violate any laws governing the subject matter of this Agreement. The Parties hereto agree that in the event any provision of this Agreement is finally held or determined to be illegal or void as being in contravention of any applicable law or regulation, the remainder of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect unless the part or parts so found to be void are wholly inseparable from the remaining portions of this Agreement. Further, the Parties agree that if and when any provision(s) of this Agreement is finally held or determined to be illegal or void by a court of competent jurisdiction, the Parties will promptly enter into negotiations concerning the substantive effect of such decision for the purposes of achieving conformity with the requirements of any applicable laws and the intent of the Parties hereto. If the legality of this Agreement is challenged and any form of injunctive relief is granted by any court, suspending temporarily or permanently the implementation of this Agreement, then the Parties agree that all Project Work that would otherwise be covered by this

Agreement should be continued to be bid and constructed without application of this Agreement so that there is no delay or interference with the ongoing planning, bidding and construction of any Project Work.

Section 16.2 Effect of Injunctions or Other Court Orders: The Parties recognize the right of the City to withdraw, at its absolute discretion, the utilization of the Agreement as part of any bid specification should a Court of competent jurisdiction issue any order, or any applicable statute which could result, temporarily or permanently in delay of the bidding, awarding and/or construction on the Project. Notwithstanding such an action by the City, or such court order or statutory provision, the Parties agree that the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect on covered Project Work to the maximum extent legally possible.

## **ARTICLE 17 WAIVER**

A waiver of or a failure to assert any provisions of this Agreement by any or all of the Parties hereto shall not constitute a waiver of such provision for the future. Any such waiver shall not constitute a modification of the Agreement or change in the terms and conditions of the Agreement and shall not relieve, excuse or release any of the Parties from any of their rights, duties or obligations hereunder.

## **ARTICLE 18 AMENDMENTS**

The provisions of this Agreement can be renegotiated, supplemented, rescinded or otherwise altered only by mutual agreement in writing, hereafter signed by the negotiating Parties hereto.

## **ARTICLE 19 ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

19.1 This Agreement represents the complete understanding of the Parties. The provisions of this Agreement, including the MLAs, which are incorporated herein by reference, shall apply to the work covered by this Agreement. Where a subject covered by the provisions of this Agreement is also covered by a MLA, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail. Where a subject is covered by the provisions of a MLA and is not covered by this Agreement, the provisions of the MLA shall prevail.

19.2 The Parties agree that this Agreement, including the MLAs incorporated by reference, covers all matters affecting wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment and that during the term of this Agreement the Parties will not be required to negotiate on any further matters affecting these or any other subject not specifically set forth in this Agreement except by mutual agreement of the Parties.

19.3 This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, such that original signatures may appear on separate pages and when bound together all necessary signatures shall constitute an original. Facsimile or PDF signature pages transmitted to other Parties to this Agreement shall be deemed the equivalent to original signatures.

**ARTICLE 20**  
**DURATION OF THE AGREEMENT**

Section 20.1 Duration: This Agreement shall be effective from the date signed by all Parties and shall continue in full force and effect until all Project Work to be performed on the Projects is completed and accepted by the City.

Section 20.2 Turnover and Final Acceptance of Completed Work:

20.2.1 Construction of any phase, portion, section, or segment of Project Work shall be deemed complete when such phase, portion, section or segment has been turned over to the City by the Contractor and the City has accepted such phase, portion, section, or segment. As areas and systems of the Project are inspected and construction-tested and/or approved and accepted by the City or third parties with the approval of the City, the Agreement shall have no further force or effect on such items or areas, except when the Contractor is directed by the City to engage and repairs or modifications required by its contract(s) with the City.

20.2.2 Notice of each final acceptance received by the Contractor will be provided to the Council with the description of what phase, portion, section or segment, etc. has been accepted. Final acceptance may be subject to a “punch” list, and in such case, the Agreement will continue to apply to each such item on the list until it is completed to the satisfaction of the City and notice of acceptance is given by the City or its representative to the Contractor. At the request of the Union, complete information describing any “punch” list work, as well as any additional work required of a Contractor at the direction of the City pursuant to (a) above, involving otherwise turned-over and completed facilities which have been accepted by the City, will be available from the Community Workforce Coordinator.



IN WITNESS whereof the Parties have caused this Continuity of Work Agreement to be executed as of the date and year above stated.

CITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO

TRI-COUNTIES  
BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION  
TRADES COUNCIL

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erica A. Stewart, Mayor

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joshua Medrano, Executive Secretary

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

\_\_\_\_\_  
J. Christine Dietrick, City Attorney

TRI-COUNTIES BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION  
TRADES COUNCIL CRAFT UNIONS AND DISTRICT COUNCILS

- Asbestos Heat & Frost Insulators (Local 5) \_\_\_\_\_
- Boilermakers (Local 92) \_\_\_\_\_
- Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers (Local 4) \_\_\_\_\_
- Cement Masons (Local 600) \_\_\_\_\_
- Electricians (Local 639) \_\_\_\_\_
- Elevator Constructors (Local 18) \_\_\_\_\_
- Iron Workers (Local 155) \_\_\_\_\_
- Laborers (Local 220) \_\_\_\_\_
- Operating Engineers (Local 12) \_\_\_\_\_
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- Painters & Allied Trades DC 36 \_\_\_\_\_
- Pipe Trades (Local 403) \_\_\_\_\_
- Pipe Trades (Local 345) \_\_\_\_\_
- Pipe Trades District Council No. 16 \_\_\_\_\_
- Pipe Trades (Sprinkler Fitters Local 669) \_\_\_\_\_
- Plasterers (Local 200) \_\_\_\_\_
- Roofers & Waterproofers (Local 36) \_\_\_\_\_
- Sheet Metal Workers (Local 104) \_\_\_\_\_
- Teamsters (Local 186) \_\_\_\_\_
- Southwest Regional Council of Carpenters \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACHMENT A**  
**LETTER OF ASSENT**

To be signed by all contractors awarded work covered by the  
Community Workforce Agreement prior to commencing work.

[Contractor's Letterhead]

Community Workforce Coordinator  
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Attn: \_\_\_\_\_

Re: City of San Luis Obispo Community Workforce Agreement - Letter of Assent

Dear Sir:

This is to confirm that [name of company] agrees to be party to and bound by the City of San Luis Obispo Community Workforce Agreement effective \_\_\_\_\_, 2022, as such Agreement may, from time to time, be amended by the negotiating parties or interpreted pursuant to its terms. Such obligation to be a party and bound by this Agreement shall extend to all work covered by the Agreement undertaken by this Company on the project and this Company shall require all of its contractors and subcontractors of whatever tier to be similarly bound for all work within the scope of the Agreement by signing and furnishing to you an identical Letter of Assent prior to their commencement of work.

Sincerely,

[Name of Construction Company]

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor State License No. \_\_\_\_\_

Project: \_\_\_\_\_

[Copies of this letter must be submitted to the Community Workforce Coordinator and to the Council per Section 2.4.2]

**ATTACHMENT B**  
Local Resident Zip Codes

**(Tier 1)**

[City of San Luis Obispo]

93401	93406	93409
93403	93407	93410
93405	93408	

**(Tier 2)**

[Remaining zip codes in the County of San Luis Obispo]

93252	93430	93445	93454
93402	93432	93446	93461
93420	93433	93449	93465
93422	93435	93451	
93426	93442	93452	
93428	93444	93453	

**(Tier 3)**

[All zip codes in Santa Barbara and Monterey Counties]

93032	93252	93450	93930
93013	93254	93901	93932
93067	93427	93905	93933
93101	93429	93906	93940
93103	93434	93907	93943
93105	93436	93908	93944
93106	93437	93920	93950
93108	93440	93923	93953
93109	93441	93924	93955
93110	93455	93925	93960
93111	93458	93926	93962
93117	93460	93927	95004
			95012
			95039
			95076
			93463

**(Tier 4)**

(All zip codes in Ventura County)

**ATTACHMENT C**

**CITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO  
CRAFT REQUEST FORM**

**TO THE CONTRACTOR:** Please complete and fax or email this form to the applicable union to request craft workers that fulfill the hiring requirements for this project. After faxing or emailing your request, please call the Union to verify receipt and substantiate their capacity to furnish workers as specified below. Please print your Fax Transmission Verification Reports or email and keep copies for your records.

The City of San Luis Obispo, Community Workforce Agreement establishes a goal that 50% of all of the construction labor hours worked on the Project shall be from qualified workers residing: First, Area Residents residing in those first-tier zip codes which cover the City of San Luis Obispo, as reflected on the attached list of zip codes, second, within San Luis Obispo County, third, within Santa Barbara and Monterey counties, fourth, within Ventura County. For Dispatch purposes, employees residing within any of these four (4) areas shall be referred to as Local Residents. Priority shall be given to veterans within each tier.

**TO THE UNION:** Please complete the “Union Use Only” section on the next page and fax this form back to the requesting Contractor. Be sure to retain a copy of this form for your records.

**CONTRACTOR USE ONLY**

**To:** Union Local # \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax#** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Cc:** Community Workforce Coordinator  
**From:** Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Issued By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Fax: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE PROVIDE ME WITH THE FOLLOWING UNION CRAFT WORKERS.**

Craft Classification (i.e., plumber, painter, etc.)	Journeyman or Apprentice	Local Resident or General Dispatch	Number of workers needed	Report Date	Report Time
<b>TOTAL WORKERS REQUESTED =</b> _____					

Please have worker(s) report to the following work address indicated below:

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Site: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Report to: \_\_\_\_\_ On-site Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ On-site Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Comment or Special Instructions: \_\_\_\_\_

**UNION USE ONLY**

Date dispatch request received:
Dispatch received by:
Classification of worker requested:
Classification of worker dispatched:

**WORKER REFERRED**

Name:		
Date worker was dispatched:		
Is the worker referred a: <span style="float: right;">(check all that apply)</span>		
JOURNEYMAN	Yes _____	No _____
APPRENTICE	Yes _____	No _____
LOCAL AREA RESIDENT	Yes _____	No _____
GENERAL DISPATCH FROM OUT OF WORK LIST	Yes _____	No _____
VETERAN	Yes _____	No _____

[This form is not intended to replace a Union's Dispatch or Referral Form normally given to the employee when being dispatched to the jobsite.]

**ATTACHMENT D**

**TRI-COUNTIES BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION  
TRADES COUNCIL  
APPROVED  
DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING POLICY**

The Parties recognize the problems which drug and alcohol abuse have created in the construction industry and the need to develop drug and alcohol abuse prevention programs. Accordingly, the Parties agree that in order to enhance the safety of the workplace and to maintain a drug and alcohol-free work environment, individual Employers may require applicants or employees to undergo drug and alcohol testing.

1. It is understood that the use, possession, transfer or sale of illegal drugs, narcotics, or other unlawful substances, as well as being under the influence of alcohol and the possession or consuming alcohol is absolutely prohibited while employees are on the Employer's job premises or while working on any jobsite in connection with work performed under the Community Workforce Agreement ("CWA").
2. No Employer may implement a drug testing program which does not conform in all respects to the provisions of this Policy.
3. No Employer may implement drug testing at any jobsite unless written notice is given to the Union setting forth the location of the jobsite, a description of the project under construction, and the name and telephone number of the Project Supervisor. Said notice shall be addressed to the office of each Union signing the CWA. Said notice shall be sent by email or by registered mail before the implementation of drug testing. Failure to give such notice shall make any drug testing engaged in by the Employer a violation of the CWA, and the Employer may not implement any form of drug testing at such jobsite for the following six months.
4. An Employer who elects to implement drug testing pursuant to this Agreement shall require all employees on the Project to be tested. With respect to individuals who become employed on the Project subsequent to the proper implementation of a valid drug testing program, such test shall be administered upon the commencement of employment on the project, whether by referral from a Union Dispatch Office, transfer from another project, or another method. Individuals who were employed on the project prior to the proper implementation of a valid drug testing program may only be subjected to testing for the reasons set forth in paragraphs 5(g)(1) through 5(g)(3) and paragraphs 6(a) through 6(e) of this Policy. Refusal to undergo such testing shall be considered sufficient grounds to deny employment on the project.
5. The following procedure shall apply to all drug testing:

a. The Employer may request urine samples only. The applicant or employee shall not be observed when the urine specimen is given. An applicant or employee, at his or her sole option, shall, upon request, receive a blood test in lieu of a urine test. No employee of the Employer shall draw blood from a bargaining unit employee, touch or handle urine specimens, or in any way become involved in the chain of custody of urine or blood specimens. A Union Business Representative, subject to the approval of the individual applicant or employee, shall be permitted to accompany the applicant or employee to the collection facility to observe the collection, bottling, and sealing of the specimen.

b. An employer may request an applicant to perform an alcohol breathalyzer test, at a certified laboratory only and cutoff levels shall be those mandated by applicable state or federal law.

c. The testing shall be done by a laboratory approved by the Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), which is chosen by the Employer and the Union.

d. An initial test shall be performed using the Enzyme Multiplied Immunoassay Technique (EMIT). In the event a question or positive result arises from the initial test, a confirmation test must be utilized before action can be taken against the applicant or employee. The confirmation test will be by Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry (GC/MS). Cutoff levels for both the initial test and confirmation test will be those established by SAMHSA. Should these SAMHSA levels be changed during the course of this Agreement or new testing procedures are approved, then these new regulations will be deemed as part of this existing Agreement. Confirmed positive samples will be retained by the testing laboratory in secured long-term frozen storage for a minimum of one year. Handling and transportation of each sample must be documented through strict chain of custody procedures.

e. In the event of a confirmed positive test result the applicant or employee may request, within forty-eight (48) hours, a sample of his/her specimen from the testing laboratory for purposes of a second test to be performed at a second laboratory, designated by the Union and approved by SAMHSA. The retest must be performed within ten (10) days of the request. Chain of custody for this sample shall be maintained by the Employer between the original testing laboratory and the Union's designated laboratory. ~~Retesting shall be performed at the applicant's or employee's expense.~~ In the event of conflicting test results the Employer may require a third test.

f. If, as a result of the above testing procedure, it is determined that an applicant or employee has tested positive, this shall be considered sufficient grounds to deny the applicant or employee his/her employment on the project.



g. No individual who tests negative for drugs pursuant to the above procedure and becomes employed on the project shall again be subjected to drug testing with the following exceptions:

1. Employees who are involved in industrial accidents resulting in damage to plant, property or equipment or injury to him/her or others may be tested for drug or alcohol pursuant to the procedures stated hereinabove.

2. The Employer may test employees following thirty (30) days advance written notice to the employee(s) to be tested and to the applicable Union. Notice to the applicable Union shall be as set forth in paragraph 3 above and such testing shall be pursuant to the procedures stated hereinabove.

3. The Employer may test an employee where the Employer has reasonable cause to believe that the employee is impaired from performing his/her job. Reasonable cause shall be defined as being aberrant or unusual behavior, the type of which is a recognized and accepted symptom of impairment (i.e., slurred speech, unusual lack of muscular coordination, etc.). Such behavior must be actually observed by at least two persons, one of whom shall be a supervisor who has been trained to recognize the symptoms of drug abuse or impairment and the other of whom shall be the Job Steward. If the Job Steward is unavailable or there is no Job Steward on the project the other person shall be a member of the applicable Union's bargaining unit. Testing shall be pursuant to the procedures stated hereinabove. Employees who are tested pursuant to the exceptions set forth in this paragraph and who test positive will be removed from the Employer's payroll.

h. Applicants or employees who do not test positive shall be paid for all time lost while undergoing drug testing. Payment shall be at the applicable wage and benefit rates set forth in the applicable Union's Master Labor Agreement. Applicants who have been dispatched from the Union and who are not put to work pending the results of a test will be paid waiting time until such time as they are put to work. It is understood that an applicant must pass the test as a condition of employment. Applicants who are put to work pending the results of a test will be considered probationary employees.

6. The Employers will be allowed to conduct periodic jobsite drug testing on the Project under the following conditions:

a. The entire jobsite must be tested, including any employee or subcontractor's employee who worked on that project three (3) working days before or after the date of the test;

b. Jobsite testing cannot commence sooner than fifteen (15) days after start of the work on the project;

c. Prior to start of periodic testing, a Business Representative will be allowed to conduct an educational period on company time to explain periodic jobsite testing program to affected employees;

d. Testing shall be conducted by a SAMHSA certified laboratory, pursuant to the provisions set forth in paragraph 5 hereinabove.

e. Only two (2) periodic tests may be performed in a twelve (12) month period.

7. It is understood that the unsafe use of prescribed medication, or where the use of prescribed medication impairs the employee's ability to perform work, is a basis for the Employer to remove the employee from the jobsite.

8. Any grievance or dispute which may arise out of the application of this Agreement shall be subject to the grievance and arbitration procedures set forth in the CWA.

9. The establishment or operation of this Policy shall not curtail any right of any employee found in any law, rule or regulation. Should any part of this Agreement be found unlawful by a court of competent jurisdiction or a public agency having jurisdiction over the Parties, the remaining portions of the Agreement shall be unaffected, and the Parties shall enter negotiations to replace the affected provision.

10. Present employees, if tested positive, shall have the prerogative for rehabilitation program at the employee's expense. When such program has been successfully completed the Employer shall not discriminate in any way against the employee. If work for which the employee is qualified exists, he/she shall be reinstated.

11. The Employer agrees that results of urine and blood tests performed hereunder will be considered medical records held confidential to the extent permitted or required by law. Such records shall not be released to any persons or entities other than designated Employer representatives and the applicable Union. Such release to the applicable Union shall only be allowed upon the signing of a written release and the information contained therein shall not be used to discourage the employment of the individual applicant or employee on any subsequent occasion.

12. The Employer shall indemnify and hold the Union harmless against any and all claims, demands, suits, or liabilities that may arise out of the application of this Agreement and/or any program permitted hereunder.

13. Employees who seek voluntary assistance for substance abuse may not be disciplined for seeking such assistance. Requests from employees for such assistance shall remain confidential and shall not be revealed to other employees or management personnel without the employee's consent. Employees enrolled in substance abuse programs will be subject to all Employer rules, regulations and job performance standards with the understanding that an employee enrolled in such a program is receiving treatment for an illness.

14. The Parties agree to develop and implement a drug abuse prevention and testing program for all apprentices entering the industry.

15. This Memorandum of Understanding shall constitute the only Agreement in effect between the Parties concerning drug and alcohol abuse, prevention and testing. Any modifications thereto must be accomplished pursuant to collective bargaining negotiations between the Parties.

## APPENDIX A: SPECIMEN REPORTING CRITERIA

Initial Test Analyte	Initial Test Cutoff <sup>1</sup>	Confirmatory Test Analyte	Confirmatory Test Cutoff Concentration
Marijuana metabolites (THCA) <sup>2</sup>	50 ng/ml <sup>3</sup>	THCA	15 ng/ml
Cocaine metabolite (Benzoyllecgonine)	150ng/ml <sup>3</sup>	Benzoyllecgonine	100 ng/ml
Codeine/ Morphine	2000 ng/ml	Codeine Morphine	2000 ng/ml 2000 ng/ml
Hydrocodone/ Hydromorphone	300 ng/ml	Hydrocodone Hydromorphone	100 ng/ml 100 ng/ml
Alcohol	0.02%	Ethanol	0.02%
Oxycodone/ Oxymorphone	100 ng/ml	Oxycodone Oxymorphone	100 ng/ml 100 ng/ml
6-Acetylmorphine	10 ng/ml	6-Acetylmorphine	10 ng/ml
Phencyclidine	25 ng/ml	Phencyclidine	25 ng/ml
Amphetamine/ Methamphetamine	500 ng/ml	Amphetamine Methamphetamine	250ng/ml 250 ng/ml

<sup>1</sup> For grouped analytes (i.e., two or more analytes that are in the same drug class and have the same initial test cutoff):

**Immunoassay:** The test must be calibrated with one analyte from the group identified as the target analyte. The cross-reactivity of the immunoassay to the other analyte(s) within the group must be 80 percent or greater; if not, separate immunoassays must be used for the analytes within the group.

**Alternate technology:** Either one analyte or all analytes from the group must be used for calibration, depending on the technology. At least one analyte within the group must have a concentration equal to or greater than the initial test cutoff or, alternatively, the sum of the analytes present (i.e., equal to or greater than the laboratory's validated limit of quantification) must be equal to or greater than the initial test cutoff.

<sup>2</sup> An immunoassay must be calibrated with the target analyte, 9-tetrahydrocannabinol-9- carboxylic acid (THCA).

<sup>3</sup> **Alternate technology (THCA and benzoyllecgonine):** The confirmatory test cutoff must be used for an alternate technology initial test that is specific for the target analyte (i.e., 15 ng/ml for THCA, 100 ng/ ml for benzoyllecgonine).

MDMA <sup>4</sup> /MDA <sup>5</sup>	500 ng/ml	MDMA MDA	250ng/ml 250 ng/ml
Initial Test Analyte	Initial Test Cutoff	Confirmatory Test Analyte	Confirmatory Test Cutoff Concentration
Barbiturates	300 ng/ml	Barbiturates	200 ng/ml
Benzodiazepines	300 ng/ml	Benzodiazepines	300 ng/ml
Methadone	300 ng/ml	Methadone	100 ng/ml
Methaqualone	300 ng/ml	Methaqualone	300 ng/ml
Propoxyphene	300 ng/ml	Propoxyphene	100 ng/ml

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<sup>4</sup> Methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA)

<sup>5</sup> Methylenedioxyamphetamine (MDA)

**SIDE LETTER OF AGREEMENT  
TESTING POLICY FOR DRUG ABUSE**

It is hereby agreed between the Parties hereto that an Employer who has otherwise properly implemented drug testing, as set forth in the Testing Policy for Drug Abuse, shall have the right to offer an applicant or employee a "quick" drug screening test. This "quick" screen test shall consist either of the "ICUP" urine screen or similar test or an oral screen test. The applicant or employee shall have the absolute right to select either of the two "quick" screen tests, or to reject both and request a full drug test.

An applicant or employee who selects one of the "quick" screen tests, and who passes the test, shall be put to work immediately. An applicant or employee who fails the "quick" screen test, or who rejects the "quick" screen tests, shall be tested pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Testing Policy for Drug Abuse. The sample used for the "quick" screen test shall be discarded immediately upon conclusion of the test. An applicant or employee shall not be deprived of any rights granted to them by the Testing Policy for Drug Abuse as a result of any occurrence related to the "quick" screen test.

**ATTACHMENT E**  
**LIST OF MASTER LABOR AGREEMENTS**

**Appendix**  
**List of Master Labor Agreements**

	Craft Union	Master Labor Agreement
1	Asbestos Heat & Frost Insulators	So. Cal. Chapter, Western Insulation Contractors Association-International Association of Heat and Frost Insulators and Allied Workers, Local #5
2	Boilermakers	Boilermakers Local #92-Western States Boilermakers Agreement
3	Bricklayers & Allied Craft Workers	Mason Contractors Exchange of So. Calif., Inc,-Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers Local # 4
4	Cement Masons	So. Cal. General Contractors-Eleven So. Cal. Counties Cement Masons Master Labor Agreement
5	Electricians	IBEW Local # 639-NECA California Central Coast Chapter Master Labor Agreement
6	Electricians-Sound & Communication	So. Calif. 9 <sup>th</sup> District Sound & Communications Agreement between IBEW and NECA
7	Elevator Constructors	National Elevator Bargaining Association-International Union of Elevator Constructors Master Labor Agreement
8	Glaziers Local 636	Master Labor Agreement
9	Ironworkers (Reinforced Local #416)	California Ironworkers Employers Council and District Council of Ironworkers for California and Vicinity Master Labor Agreement
10	Ironworkers (Structural-Local #433)	California Ironworkers Employers Council and District Council of Ironworkers for California and Vicinity Master Labor Agreement
11	Laborers	Southern California District Council of Laborers-Associated General Contractors Master Labor Agreement
12	Operating Engineers	Southern California Contractors Association-Operating Engineers Local #12
13	Painters & Allied Trades	Painters and Allied Trades District Council No. 36 MLA
14	Pipe Trades Locals #114/#345	Master Agreement for the Plumbing and Piping Industry for Southern California
15	Resilient Floor and Decorative Covering Local Union No. 1247	Master Labor Agreement As Amended
16	Sprinkler Fitters	National Fire Sprinkler Fitter Association-Sprinklerfitters Local #709 Master Labor Agreement
17	Drywall Finishers	Southern California Drywall Finishers Joint Agreement
18	Plasterers	Operative Plasterers & Cement Masons Local# 200-Western Walls and Ceiling Contractors Association
19	Roofers & Waterproofers	Union Roofing Contractors Association-United Union Roofing and Waterproofers and Allied Workers Locals #36 & #220 Master Labor Agreement
20	Sheet Metal Workers	Standard Form of Union Agreement between SMW Local 104 and Bay Area Association of SMACNA Chapters
21	Teamsters	Southern California General Contractors-Teamsters Locals # 186 Master Labor Agreement
22	Carpenters	United General Contractors-Southwest Regional Council of Carpenters Master Labor Agreement

