

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO REJECT A BID PROTEST AND AWARD A CONTRACT FOR THE 2026–2028 TREE MAINTENANCE PROJECT TO ELITE MAINTENANCE & TREE SERVICE, OF CERES, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$616,700, AND TO EXECUTE CHANGE ORDERS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000

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WHEREAS, the Public Works Department utilizes a contract for structural pruning, maintenance trimming, stump grinding, emergency calls, tree removals, pest control, and tree planting at various locations throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, the bid opening was held on May 8, 2026, and four responsive bids were received, with Elite Maintenance & Tree Service submitting the lowest responsive bid of \$616,700; and

WHEREAS, a protest was submitted by West Coast Arborists, Inc., on May 8, 2026, alleging the low bidder did not meet minimum qualifications, and staff determined through investigation that Elite Maintenance & Tree Service does meet the required qualifications; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends rejecting the protest, awarding the 2026–2028 Tree Maintenance Project to Elite Maintenance & Tree Service, of Ceres, in the amount of \$616,700, and authorizing the City Manager to execute change orders in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council does hereby reject the protest submitted by West Coast Arborists, Inc., and award the 2026–2028 Tree Maintenance Project contract to Elite Maintenance & Tree Service, of Ceres, with an initial two-year term and up to two optional one-year extensions in the amount of \$616,700, and authorize the City Manager to execute change orders in an amount not to exceed \$100,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, pursuant to Section 6.3q of the City Council Protocol Manual (Res. No. 2019-223), the City Attorney is hereby authorized to make minor revisions to the above-referenced document(s) that do not alter the compensation or term, and to make clerical corrections as necessary.

Dated: August 5, 2026

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2026-__ was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held August 5, 2026 by the following votes:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS –

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS –

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS –

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS –

WALFRED SOLORZANO
Interim City Clerk

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