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- reverse the protection area, they shall be tunneled or bored under the tree.
10. Erosion control devices such as silt fencing, debris basins, and water diversion structures shall be installed to prevent sediment and/or erosion within the tree protection zone.
11. Roots shall be cut manually by digging a trench and cutting exposed roots with a saw, vibrating knife, rock saw, narrow trencher with sharp blades, or other approved root pruning equipment.
- G. TREE RELOCATION** (These notes for relocation trees only and if applicable)
1. Flag all trees and palms to be transplanted with differentiating color than those to be saved or removed.
 2. Tree Relocation process must be performed or supervised by ISA Certified Arborist.
 3. Water the root zones to field capacity for 5 continuous days before root pruning. At a minimum soak the soil to a 4'-0" depth within a 6' radius.
Root prune a minimum of six weeks before relocation. Prune away all dead or damaged limbs or fronds. For trees, prune out 1/3 of the existing canopy by selectively trimming small internal branches. For palms, gather fronds above the bud and tie them loosely with jute twine to avoid damage.
 4. Brace root pruned trees awaiting relocation.
 5. Root prune 1/3 of the root system, irrigate daily for 2 weeks then root prune another 1/3 and irrigate daily and prune last 1/3 on actual relocation date, no less than two weeks (six weeks minimum root pruning by stages). ISA Arboret on staff shall observe for intense shock. Canopy pruning may be deemed necessary by Arborist on staff to balance for intense root ball loss, canopy shall be trimmed only as necessary to increase survival.
 6. Root prune with proper clean technique to sever roots. Ensure roots are not torn or pulled apart.
 7. With hand tools, dig a 2'-0" wide by 3'-0" deep trench at a minimum distance as determined by the consulting arborist to expose roots. Cut all roots 1.5' and larger in diameter with a clean, sharp pruning saw. Treat all cuts with a fungicidal barrier. Backfill the trench, within 4 hours of digging, with a 1:1 mixture of site soil and sawdust or other fine organic material. Do not compact.
 8. Form a rootball size in compliance with Florida grades and Florida standards number 1 or better.
 9. Maintain the soil moisture at field capacity throughout the six weeks.
 10. Allow the plant to regenerate roots over a period of six weeks.
 11. At the end of six weeks, prepare the planting pit at the new location. Overdig the hole diameter a minimum of 2' beyond the root ball, with the recipient hole to be at least 1 1/2' larger than the area that was trenched for transplanting.
 12. With the consulting arborist present, undercut the entire root ball of the plants to be transplanted at a depth specified by the arborist. The undercutting method may be a choker cable drawn through the root ball with heavy equipment.
 13. At the direction of a professional rigger, assemble slings, padding, guiding ropes and cables for attachment to the crane or backhoe. The professional rigger shall determine the size of machinery necessary to execute the lifting and moving operation.
 14. Install trees within 24 hours of removal from their original location to locations provided by Landscape Architect or Developer with approval of municipal / Landscape Inspector.
 15. Recipient site to be free of finished grade. Tree pit excavation to match the size of root ball. Top of root ball to match the finished grade.
 16. Maintain trees in a healthy and vigorous condition during installation and throughout the plant establishment period. Replace trees that do not meet this requirement with the same species, size, and quality or per mitigation requirements specific to the governing authority with jurisdiction.
 17. Fertilize the plant as directed by the consulting arborist.
 18. When the plant is placed in the new location, backfill the planting pit with topsoil and water thoroughly to eliminate air pockets and compact the soil. Set the tree no deeper than its original condition.
 19. Cover the root ball area with 3" depth of organic mulch.
 20. Provide fungicide and fertility applications at the direction of the consulting arborist.
 21. Post transplant watering to provide moisture and reduce any excessive stress due to root desiccation. Watering to be adjusted according to conditions and at the supervision and direction of the ISA certified arborist.
 22. The diameter of the root-pruning or transplanting circle shall be at a distance away from the trunk equal to 12 times each inch of trunk diameter at breast height.
 23. For all palms except Sabal palmetto, the lowest fronds shall be pruned leaving 9-11 fronds that can be tied without an extensive amount of weight that may damage the heart of the palm. The Sabal palmetto shall have all fronds cut without damaging the bud.
 24. Digging and preparation of the new hole for the transplant shall be done prior to removing the tree from the existing location.
 25. The Landscape Contractor is to verify that all new holes have appropriate percolation.
 26. Over the guarantee period, the Landscape contractor shall be responsible for resetting any trees or palms that are not in a vertical position.
 27. After tree relocation and the palms, the landscape contractor shall be responsible for obtaining water and watering to maintain soil moisture during the guarantee period at a minimum of: First month- daily, Second month - three times per week, Third and Fourth months - two times per week, Last eight months - one time per week.
- H. SITE PREPARATION & GRADING**
1. Landscape contractor shall loosen and till compacted soils that are overly compacted in all planting areas of the project to provide for proper soil aeration for plant establishment.
 2. Planting areas shall be cleared of underground rocks, construction debris and other materials detrimental to the health of the plants. Lime rock base material shall be removed within planting pits and adjacent to pavement. The planting areas shall be clean to a depth equal to the root ball of the trees/palms proposed for the area. Planting areas shall be prepared for pH before planting. Soils showing high (alkaline) pH (over 7.5) shall be amended or replaced with native soil having a pH range of 6.5 - 7.5, as approved by Landscape Architect.
 3. All planting areas and planting pits shall be tested for sufficient percolation prior to final planting and irrigation installation to ensure proper drainage. Plant beds in parking lots and in areas compacted by heavy equipment shall be de-compacted so that drainage is not impeded.
 4. Landscape Contractor shall treat plant areas with pre-emergence herbicide after weeds and grass have been removed. Landscape Contractor shall wait (7) seven days after pre-emergence treatment prior to planting. Site preparation shall include the eradication and removal of any weeds, clean-up of any dead material, debris, and rubbish.
 5. General site and berm grading to +/- 1 inch (1") shall be provided by the general contractor. All finished site grading shall be provided by the Landscape Contractor. All planting beds shall be free of all rocks 1/2" or larger, sticks, or objectionable material including weeds and weed seeds. All lime rock shall be removed/cleaned down to the native soils.
 6. The Landscape contractor shall ensure the planting areas are at finish grade prior to installing plant material.
 7. All trees and plant material to remain shall be protected during construction. Contractor shall install protective barriers such as "Tenax" orange safety fencing or similar, to be installed before the beginning of the project. Barriers shall be located to include the drip line of the trees, palms and plant material. The contractor shall take measures to protect the trees and plants from the construction equipment and grade.
 8. Final grade within planting areas to be 4" below adjacent paved areas or top of curb. Sod areas to be 2" below.
 9. All planting beds shall be shaped and sloped to provide proper drainage away from building and structures and to swales, if applicable.
- I. IRRIGATION**
1. Any Irrigation Notes and specifications included in Irrigation Sheets govern over the following Irrigation Notes.
 2. The Landscape Contractor shall coordinate with the irrigation contractor if not the same and leave provisions for all individual trees in turf areas and all planting beds.
 3. Irrigation / Landscape contractor to guarantee 100% coverage and 100% overlap (head to head coverage) to all landscape areas to be furnished and install a rain sensor.
 4. Irrigation Contractor to adapt design to onsite conditions adjusting heads and changing nozzles as required to avoid overspray onto buildings or paved areas.
 5. The contractor shall ensure that the irrigation system is operational and free of leaks prior to any planting being finalized. Plant material that is installed prior to the irrigation system being operational shall be watered by the contractor at his or her expense. Water for plant establishment should be included in the cost of the plant.
 6. All guidelines as outlined in the Soil and Water Management District (SWMD) or water management district with jurisdiction shall be strictly adhered to.
 7. Irrigation water whether pumped from a lake or a well shall be treated for algae, rust, etc. to provide clean treated irrigation water that will not clog or stain property or components.
 8. Any existing irrigation system shall be retrofitted to comply with the specifications as outlined above.
- J. HARDCAPE & OTHER MATERIALS**
1. Face of trees and palms to be located a minimum of 2' setback from all fences, walkways, walls, and paved surfaces, unless otherwise indicated on the plans. Refer to details.
- K. UTILITIES / CLEARANCES**
1. The contractor shall be responsible for determining the location of and avoid and protect utility lines, buried cables, and other utilities. The owner or Landscape Architect shall not be responsible for damage to utility or irrigation lines.
 2. Trees shall be placed a minimum of 5 ft. from underground utilities, unless otherwise approved in writing by Landscape Architect and Owner.
 3. All canopy trees shall be installed within 15' from light source/poles. Unless otherwise approved by the governing authority / Landscape Architect and Owner.
 4. Landscape contractor shall contact the county, governing authority and/or utility companies to locate all underground utilities or structures prior to digging. Landscape contractor shall repair all damage to underground utilities, and/or construction caused by utility damage, at no cost to the owner.
 5. All underground utility and/or utility poles should be located and marked with a color-coded diagrammatic and should be adjusted in the field by contractor to avoid all utilities, and all other obstructions.
 6. If When digging in right of way needed: Two (2) full business days before digging, call toll free 1-800-432-4770, or 811, Sunshine State One Call of Florida, Inc. Notification Center. In addition, call the Governing Agency's Utilities/Public Works Department. Contractors are responsible for coordinating with the owners and appropriate public agencies to assist in locating and verifying all underground utilities prior to excavation. All existing utilities

- shown on the plans are to be considered approximate and should be verified by the contractor prior to the start of work operations.
7. Above and below ground utilities shall be verified and located in the field by the contractor prior to commencing work in the project area. The contractor shall examine available utility plans and confirm conflicts between indicated or located utilities and landscape work. The contractor shall then notify the Project Engineer of said conflicts and the Engineer will coordinate any necessary adjustments with the utility provider. Tree locations will be adjusted as necessary when in conflict with existing utilities.
8. The final plant locations may be adjusted, as approved / directed by the Landscape Architect in writing, to accommodate utilities compliance. Excavations within 5' of known utilities should be done by hand.
9. Contractor shall familiarize himself with the location of and avoid and protect utility lines, buried cables, and all other utilities, noted or not, on plans.
10. Leave clearance and access to all above ground or at grade meters and equipment.
11. Landscape planting shall be in conformance with FPL guidelines for setbacks from overhead utility lines.
12. Landscaping shall not interfere with light poles, fire hydrants, electrical/mechanical equipment access, signs, drainage structures, etc. Bring to the attention of Landscape Architect any conflicts.
- L. ROOT BARRIERS**
1. Root barriers will be installed to protect building foundations, curbs, walkways, paved areas, roadway base material and utilities from existing large trees or proposed new trees that are within 5' of existing or new approved construction or as may be deemed necessary for job progress.
2. Mechanical Root barriers will be used for large existing Canopy Trees and chemical type barriers will be used for new trees.
3. Mechanical Root barriers will be "DeepRoot" and Chemical Root barriers will be "Biobarrier". Substitutions must be of approved equal or better quality.
4. Root barriers will be installed per manufacturer specifications.
5. Root barrier depths will be determined by the manufacturer recommended depth chart and as required by on-site conditions in a case by case basis as deemed necessary by Landscape Architect / ISA Arborist and Landscape Inspector.
- M. LANDSCAPE BACKFILL & SOIL AMENDMENT**
1. All building construction material and foreign material shall be removed from the planting areas and replaced with 70/30 mix (70% sand & 30% organic compost) or amend existing soils per section H.2.
2. Planting soil mix will be applied to the planting area in a clean loose and friable condition and is required around the root ball of all trees and shrubs, the top 6" of all shrubs and ground cover beds and top 2" of all grassed areas. This soil shall be filled into the existing soil after the existing soil has been cleaned of all undesirable foreign materials. Recycled compost is encouraged as a soil amendment alternative. Planting soil to be weed free.
3. Planting backfill for palms shall be clean coarse native sand unless specified elsewhere.
4. Do not allow air pockets to form when backfilling. All trees shall be watered-in utilizing water probe or a tree bar.
- N. PLANT SIZE & QUALITY**
1. All plant material must meet or exceed the minimum size requirements as specified on the plant list. Height specification governs over container size if both specifications given cannot be met. Any other requirements for specific shape or effect as noted on the plan shall also be required for acceptance.
2. Material specified under B&B shall be accepted in a container if not available as B&B at the discretion of Landscape Architect; if so, root bound and/or circling roots shall be removed and root ball must be proportionate to Tree / Palm.
3. U.O.N, All trees designated as single trunk shall have a single, relatively straight, dominant leader, proper structural branching and even branch distribution. Trunks on palms shall be uniform in thickness for the entire length of the palm and shall not taper off to disproportionate thinness towards the crown. Trees with bark inclusion, tapered buttresses, or other co-dominant trunks will not be accepted. Trees with girdling, circling and/or plunging roots will be rejected.
4. Use nursery grown plant materials that complies with all required inspection, grading standards, and plant regulations in accordance with the latest edition of Florida Department of Agriculture, "Grade & Standards for Nursery Plants".
5. All trees and palms shall be free of open wounds and unsightly visible scars.
6. All substitutions must be approved by the governing authority if it is required Canopy and by Landscape Architect / Owner if supplementary accent material.
7. Contractor shall comply with Federal, State, and Local laws and regulations pertaining to the inspection for plant disease and insect infestation.
8. Trees, palms, shrubs, ground covers:
- Plant species and sizes shall conform to those indicated on the drawings. All nursery stock shall be in accordance with grades and standards for nursery plants parts 1 and 2, latest edition published by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, unless specified otherwise. All plants shall be Florida grade number 1 or better as determined by the Florida Division of Plant Industry and tightly knit plant, so trained or favored in its development that first appearance is unquestionable and it is outstandingly superior in form, number of branches, compactness and symmetry. All plants shall be freshly dug, sound, healthy, vigorous, well branched and free of disease and insect eggs and larvae and shall have adequate root systems. Trees and palms shall be uniform in size and shape. All materials shall be subject to approval by the Landscape architect. Plants shall be pruned prior to delivery only upon the approval of the Landscape Architect.
9. All container grown material shall be healthy, vigorous, well-rooted plants and established in the container in which they are sold. The plants shall have tops of good quality and be in a healthy growing condition. An established container grown plant shall be transplanted into a container and grown in that container sufficiently long enough for the new fibrous roots to have developed so that the root mass will retain its shape and hold together when removed from the container.
10. Field grown trees and palms previously root pruned shall obtain a root ball with sufficient roots for continued growth without resulting shock.
11. Root suckers on any tree are not acceptable and must be properly pruned.
12. Contractor shall coordinate with Landscape Architect and Owner to obtain prior approval for the selection of the specific specimens of all palms and any trees of more than six feet in height. Contractor to supply photograph of trees prior to purchase and installation.
- O. PLANTING NOTES**
1. At the discretion of the Landscape Architect, plants are subject to review for approval for size, variety, condition and appropriateness to the design intent.
2. All synthetic burlap, synthetic string or cords, or wire baskets shall be removed before any trees are planted. All synthetic tape (i.e. tagging tape, nursery tape) shall be removed from trunks, branches, etc. before inspection. The top 1/3 of any natural burlap shall be removed or tucked into the planting hole before the trees are back filled.
3. All "groundcover" requires 75% coverage and 100% within 3 months of installation. Bring to the attention of Landscape Architect in writing before commencing if this is not achievable with the design.
4. Set tree no deeper than it was in its original growing condition with the top of the root ball even with, or slightly higher (+/- 1") than the finished grade.
5. All trees/palms shall be planted so the top of the root ball, root flair are slightly above final grade. Shrub material shall be planted such that the top of the plant ball is flush with the surrounding grade.
6. All trees and plantings shall be planted to stated per accepted standards by the Florida Nursery, Growers & Landscape Association (FNGLA). Nailing into trees and palms for any reason is prohibited and the material will be rejected. Please refer to the planting details.
7. All trees, new or relocated, to be staked and guyed as detailed.
8. Layout shrubs to create a continuous smooth front line and fill in behind with triangular spacing.
9. Excavate pit or trench to 1 - 1 1/2 times the diameter of the balls or containers or 1" wider than the spread of roots and 3" deeper than required for positioning at proper height. Compact a layer of topsoil in bottom before placing plants. Backfill around plants with planting mixture, compact to eliminate voids and air pockets. Form grade slightly dishd and bermed at edges of excavation. Apply 3" of mulch.
10. Groundcover and shrubs to be spaced in a uniform and consistent pattern per planting details.
11. All mechanical equipment, irrigation pumps, FPL transformers, pool pumps, etc. shall be screened on a minimum of two sides by landscape shrubs.
12. Contractor shall not mark or scar trunks in any fashion.
13. When requested by Landscape Architect, demonstration of healthy root system if not previously approved, can include tree removal and re-installation for inspection at no additional cost to the owner.
14. Remove rejected Plant material from the Site immediately and replace with acceptable plants.
- P. FERTILIZATION**
1. All Fertilization shall comply with state fertilization laws. Fertilization shall be Agriform "20-10-15 Plus minors" or similar approved slow-release tablets applied per manufacturer suggested application rate chart:
- Agriform® 21-gm Tablets (SKU# 90026"; 500 tablets/case)
- | NEW Tree / Shrub Container Size | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| 1 Gal | 2 Gal | 3 Gal | 5 Gal | 7 Gal | 15 Gal |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
- Installation: 1 1 to 2 2 to 3 2 to 3 3 to 5 5 to 7 7 to 10 10 to 15 15 to 24
- Place plant in the hole and backfill to halfway point.
 - Do not place tablets in the bottom of the planting hole.
 - Place Agriform Tablets in the hole about 1 to 2 inches away from root tips.
 - Finish filling the hole around the plant to grade level.
- SCOTTS: 1-800-492-8255 or visit www.scottspro.com
- Q. SOD**
1. All areas disturbed during construction shall be sodded with St. Augustine 'Seville' unless otherwise noted. These disturbed areas shall have proper irrigation established or re-established if they were disrupted or non-functional.
- Landscape Contractor to supply and install 2" soil layer 50/50 mix blanket for all new sod areas.
1. All open areas not covered by trees, palms, shrubs, vines, ground covers or existing sod in good condition to remain, shall receive Stenotaphrum Secundatum, St. Augustine 'Seville' sod, whether labeled on the plans or not, unless a different species is bracketed to the planting plan. Sod shall be strongly rooted, free from weed, fungus, insects and disease. Contractor shall be paid by the total sodded area x the unit price submitted (field verified).
3. Sod shall be machine stripped no more than 24 hours prior to laying.

- R. Lay sod strips with tight joints, do not overlap, stagger strips to offset joints in adjacent courses. Work soiled soil into minor cracks between pieces of sod and remove excess soil deposits from sodded areas. Sod on slopes greater than 3:1 shall be immediately staked after planting.
- R. SUBMITTALS
1. Submit 1 gallon container of all planting media for landscape architect review. Samples to include specified planting mix, topsoil, container planting mix (if applicable) and mulch.
 2. Submit representative nursery photos of all Trees and Palms for review prior to delivery to the site. Include scale for height.
 3. Submit representative nursery photos of all shrub and groundcover material for review prior to delivery to the site.
- S. INSPECTION & ACCEPTANCE
1. Notify the governing Agency if required and Landscape Architect of commencement.
 2. Onsite plant deliveries shall occur on Monday through Friday only unless otherwise directed by the Landscape Architect / Owner. The contractor shall ensure that plant material is delivered undamaged from transportation or digging operations. The Landscape Architect may reject material that has been damaged or rendered unsuitable due to relocation or transportation from the point of origin. All plant material shall be available for inspection and approval by the Landscape Architect prior to final installation.
 2. There shall be one final inspection for approval by each of the presiding governing agency, Landscape Architect and owner. Contractor shall ensure that the plans, details, specifications and notes have been adhered to and that the landscape and irrigation installation is compliant to all items as directed on the plans prior to scheduling of the final inspection.
 3. Upon completion of the work, the Landscape Architect shall notify the Landscape Architect and request a final inspection. Any items that are judged incomplete or unacceptable by the Landscape Architect or owner shall be promptly corrected by the Landscape Contractor.
 5. No substitution of plant material, type or sizes will be permitted without prior written authorization from the Landscape Architect and owner.
 6. To obtain final payment, Contractor must provide release of all mechanic's liens and material liens.
- T. MULCH
1. All planting beds shall be mulched to a depth of 3" with an organic mulch approved by Landscape Architect. No heavy metals, such as arsenic, etc. are to be contained in the mulch. The contractor shall provide certification if requested or proof that all mulch is free of heavy metals or similar environmental contaminants.
 2. Shredded approved organic mulch will be used beyond trunk in all directions and throughout all hedges and plant material.
 3. All trees in sodded areas shall have a clean cut 4" diameter mulch ring.
 4. Preferred mulch is shredded mulchless. Cypress, red, and green mulch is prohibited.
 5. All mulch shall have a minimum 3" separation from the trunk of the tree/palm trunk to avoid rotting.
- U. WATERING
1. All plant material shall be watered in thoroughly at the time of planting.
 2. It is the sole responsibility of the Landscape Contractor to ensure that all new plantings receive adequate water during the installation and until completion of contract. Deep watering of all new trees and palms and any supplemental watering that may be required to augment natural rainfall and site irrigation is mandatory to ensure proper plant establishment and development and shall be provided by Contractor as a part of this contract.
- V. CLEAN UP
1. The Landscape Contractor is responsible for maintaining all landscape planting areas until final acceptance of the owner.
 2. The contractor is responsible for mowing the entire project during planting and establishment periods, based on mowing project once a month from October to April, and twice a month from April to October (During installation and plant establishment only until final inspection and owner accepts and takes ownership).
 3. Any excess soil, undesired stones or debris resulting from landscape operations shall be removed promptly, keeping the site clean as work progresses.
 4. The Landscape Contractor shall at all times keep the premises free from accumulation of waste material or debris caused by their crews during the performance of the work. Upon completion of the work, the contractor shall promptly remove all waste materials, debris, unused plant material, empty plant containers, and all equipment from the project site.
- W. MAINTENANCE
1. Landscape Contractor to return to job site 12 months after tree bracing and remove all tree braces. Owner may choose to retain 5% of payment to ensure compliance.
 2. The Landscape Contractor shall water, mulch, weed, prune, and otherwise maintain all plants, including sod, until completion of contract or acceptance by landscape architect. Settled plants shall be reset to proper grade, planting saucers restored, and defective work corrected.
 3. Trees and shrubs shall be maintained to keep clearance of stop signs and safety clearance for visibility at traffic intersection.
- X. GUARANTEE & REPLACEMENT
1. By accepting the contract, the Contractor is thereby guaranteeing all plant materials and design for a period of not less than one (1) year from the time of final acceptance by the owner. Contractor shall replace any plants which die or wither within such period with healthy plants that meet specifications of the same species and size without additional cost to the owner unless such death or withering is due to Owner's failure to do ordinary maintenance on such plants after final acceptance in accordance with any maintenance instructions given by Landscape Architect for such plants. Such replacement shall include all plants and labor to plant the replacement plants. If plant materials damaged by lightning, storms, freeze damage or other "acts of God" as well plants damaged by vehicles, vandalism or neglect, are not included in this replacement agreement. If requested, the Landscape Architect may act as a mediator between owner and Landscape Contractor on a time material basis. "Plants" includes all trees, palms, shrubs, grass and other plants provided or planted by Contractor.
- Y. MISCELLANEOUS
1. All work to be done in a professional manner.
 2. No change order shall be valid, due or paid unless it is approved by Owner in writing in advance.
 3. These notes shall be an integral part of the contract of Contractor and shall be deemed incorporated therein by reference. In the event of a conflict among the terms among the plans and these notes, the terms of this document shall control.



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