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3	AN ORDINANCE TO GRANT A FRANCHISE TO OCCUPY PUBLIC	
4	RIGHTS-OF-WAY; TO PROVIDE FOR ACCESS TO AND	
5	MAINTENANCE AND UPKEEP OF SAID PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY	
6	AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED THEREIN; TO SET FORTH	
7	THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE USE OF SUCH RIGHTS-OF-	
8	WAY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.	
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10	WHEREAS, PotlatchDeltic Real Estate, LLC (formerly known as "Deltic Timber Corporation"),	
11	together with the Chenal Valley Property Owners Association, Inc. (together, the "Developer") have,	
12	commencing in 1989, maintained and improved the shoulders of certain public rights-of-way generally	
13	referred to as Chenal Valley Drive, all as more particularly described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and	
14	made a part hereof (the "Public Right-of-Way"); and,	
15	WHEREAS, it is important to set forth and confirm with the City the terms and conditions for work	
16	within and use of the Public Right-of-Way pursuant to a Franchise Agreement (the "Agreement") by and	
17	between the City and the Developer, all as more particularly set forth hereinafter.	
18	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY	
19	OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, AS FOLLOWS:	
20	Section 1. Authority to Execute Franchise. In consideration of the Developer's agreements to	
21	maintain the Public Right-of-Way, the Mayor, City Manager and City Clerk are authorized to take all	
22	steps necessary to execute a Franchise Agreement in substantially the form set forth within this	
23	Ordinance, as approved by the City Attorney, with the Developer to allow access to and from the Public	
24	Right-of-Way for the purpose of continuing maintenance, upkeep, and security for the landscaping	
25	located in the Public Right-of-Way, generally.	
26	Section 2. <u>Definitions</u> . For the purposes of the Agreement set forth and as provided in this	
27	Ordinance, the following words and phrases shall have the meaning given herein. When not inconsistent	
28	in the within context, words used in the present tense include the future tense and words in the single	
29	number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory, and not merely directory.	
30	(a) "City" – means the City of Little Rock, Arkansas.	
31	(b) "Developer" - means Potlatch Real Estate, LLC (formerly known as "Deltic Timber	

Corporation"), together with the Chenal Valley Property Owners Association, Inc.

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(c) "Landscaping" – means any and all present and future landscaping, tree or shrub planting or removal, irrigation construction and maintenance of flowers, earthwork, structures, utilities, lights, or other improvements constructed or installed in the Public Right-of-Way, as subject at all times to the approval of the Chenal Valley Architectural Control Committee (the "ACC"). (d) "Public Right-of-Way" – means all of that public right-of-way more particularly set forth and defined in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof, and shall include the area on, below, or above the present and future streets, alleys, avenues, roads, highways, parkways or boulevards dedicated or required as right-of-way. Section 3. Basic Grant of Franchise.

- (a) There is hereby granted an exclusive license to construct, maintain, install, erect, remove, replace and locate the Landscaping, as more particularly defined in the Agreement or subsequent amendments to the Agreement, along, across, upon, over or under any Public Right-of-Way, as defined herein, for the purpose of enhancing the quality of life and public enjoyment by citizens, inhabitants, visitors to the City and other travelers on the Public Right-of-Way, and to provide for the ongoing maintenance, upkeep, mowing, planting, tree and plant installation, removal, replacement, and all other actions necessary and appropriate to the fulfillment of the purposes of this Ordinance and this Agreement, for the term of this Agreement, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- (b) The grant of this Agreement by the City shall not convey title, equitable or legal, in the Public Right-of-Way, and shall give only the exclusive right to occupy, access, cross and otherwise use the Public Right-of-Way, for the purposes and for the periods stated in this Agreement. This Agreement does not:
 - (1) grant the right to use other property or improvements owned or controlled by the City or a third party, without the consent of such party;
 - (2) grant the authority to construct, maintain or operate any improvement or related appurtenance on property owned by the City outside of the Public Right-of-Way, specifically including, but not limited to park land property, City Hall property, and appellate court facility property; or
 - (3) excuse the Developer from attaining appropriate access or access agreements before locating any Landscaping in the Public Right-of-Way owned or controlled by the City and not covered by this Agreement.
- (c) As a condition of this grant, the Developer is required to obtain any necessary permit, license, certification, grant, registration or any other authorization required by an appropriate

governmental entity other than the City, including the ACC. The Developer shall also comply with all applicable laws, statutes and/or City regulations including, but not limited to, those relating to the construction and use of the Public Right-of-Way encompassed by this Ordinance and the Agreement.

(d) The authority granted herein includes the continuing maintenance, upkeep, mowing, planting, pruning, tree and plant installation and removal and other actions necessary to the ongoing maintenance of the entire Public Right-of-Way, by the Developer.

Section 4. Use of Public Right-of-Way.

- (a) The Developer shall have the right to construct, maintain, operate and secure its Landscaping along, across, upon, over and under the Public Right-of-Way. Such Landscaping shall also be constructed and maintained as not to obstruct or hinder the usual travel or public safety on any public ways or obstruct the legal use by other third parties.
- (b) The Developer's use of the Public Right-of-Way shall always be subject and subordinate to the reasonable public health, safety and welfare requirements and regulations of the City. The Developer shall be subject to all applicable laws and statutes, and/or rules, regulations, policies, resolutions, and ordinances adopted by the City, relating to the construction and use of the Public Right-of-Way except as provided in this Agreement.
- (c) Further, the Developer shall comply with the following:
 - (1) The Developer's use of the Public Right-of-Way shall in all matters be subordinate to the City's use or occupation of the Public Right-of-Way. Without limitation of its rights, the City expressly reserves the right to exercise its governmental powers now and hereafter vested or granted in the City. The Developer shall coordinate the installation of its Landscaping in the Public Right-of-Way in a manner which minimizes adverse impact on public improvements, as reasonably determined by the City and the ACC. Where installation is not otherwise regulated, the Landscaping shall be placed with adequate clearance from such public improvements so as not to impact or be impacted by such public improvement as defined in the City's Engineering Design Standards and Construction Specifications.
 - (2) All earth, materials, sidewalks, paving, crossings, utilities, public improvements, or improvements of any kind located within the Public Right-of-Way damaged or removed by the Developer in its activities under this Agreement shall be fully repaired or replaced promptly by the Developer without cost to the City to the reasonable satisfaction of the City; however, when such activity is a joint project of utilities or the Developer, the expenses thereof shall be prorated among the participants, and to the reasonable

satisfaction of the City in accordance with the ordinances and regulations of the City pertaining thereto. Nothing in this Ordinance or the Agreement shall require the Developer to repair or replace any materials, trees, flowers, shrubs, landscaping or structures that interfere with the Developer's access to any Landscaping located in the Public Right-of-Way or an adjacent utility easement. Any excavation, back filling, repair and restoration, and all other work performed in the Public Right-of-Way shall be done in conformance with the City's Engineering Design Standards and Construction Specifications, as promulgated by the City Engineer and as approved by the ACC. The City Engineer has the authority to inspect the repair or replacement of the damage, and if necessary, to require the Developer to do the additional necessary work. At the time of any inspection, the City Engineer may order the immediate cessation of any work, which poses a serious threat to the life, health, safety, or wellbeing of the public. Notice of the unsatisfactory restoration and the deficiencies found will be provided to the Developer and a reasonable time not to exceed 30 days will be provided to allow for the deficiencies to be corrected.

- (3) Except in the event of an emergency, as reasonably determined by the Developer, the Developer shall comply with all laws, rules, regulations, policies, resolutions, or ordinances now or hereinafter adopted or promulgated by the City relating to any construction, reconstruction, repair, or relocation of Landscaping which would require any street closure which reduces traffic flow. Notwithstanding the foregoing exception, all work, including emergency work performed in the traveled way or which in any way impacts vehicular or pedestrian traffic, shall be properly signed, barricaded, and otherwise protected.
- (4) The Developer shall maintain and file with the City updated maps, in such form as may be required by the City Engineer, providing the location and sufficient detail of all existing and new Landscaping in the Public Right-of-way, and such other related information as may be reasonably required by the City Engineer of all users of the Public Rights-of-Way. Such maps shall be updated and kept current with the City.
- (5) The Developer shall be responsible for its costs that are directly associated with its installation, maintenance, repair, operation, use, and replacement of its Landscaping within the Public Right-of-Way. The Developer shall be responsible for its own costs incurred removing or relocating its Landscaping when required by the City due to City requirements relating to maintenance and use of the Public Right-of-Way for government purposes.

- (6) The Developer shall take adequate measures to protect and defend the Landscaping in the Public Right-of-Way from harm or damage. If the Developer fails to accurately locate the Landscaping when requested, it shall have no claim for costs or damages against the City.
- (7) At a minimum, and without limitation, the Developer shall comply with all building and zoning codes currently or hereafter in force in the City.
- (8) The Developer shall comply with all technical and zoning standards governing construction, reconstruction, installation, operation, testing, use, maintenance, and dismantling of Landscaping in the Public Right-of-Way, as required by present and future Federal, State, and City laws and regulations.

Section 5. Indemnity and Hold Harmless Requirements.

- (a) The Developer shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless (the "Indemnifying Party"), the City, its directors, officers, employees, representatives and members, partners, trustees and affiliates (collectively, the "Indemnified Party") from and against any and all costs, liabilities, losses and expenses (including, but not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees) resulting from any claim, demand, suit, action, judgment, loss or proceeding brought against the Indemnified Party for:
 - (1) Personal injury and death;
 - (2) Damage to any personal or real property; or
 - (3) Any unauthorized use of the Landscaping of the Indemnified Party.

If the Developer and the City are found jointly liable by a court of competent jurisdiction, liability shall be apportioned comparatively in accordance with the laws of the State of Arkansas without, however, waiving any governmental immunity available to the City under State law and without waiving any defenses of the parties under State or Federal law.

- (b) During any construction phase, the Developer shall have in place commercial, general liability and automobile liability insurance in amounts acceptable to the City.
- Section 6. <u>Reservation of Rights</u>. In entering into the Agreement, neither the City's nor the Developer's present or future legal rights, positions, claims, assertions or arguments before any administrative agency or court of law are in any way prejudiced or waived. By entering into this Agreement, neither the City nor the Developer waives any rights, but instead expressly reserves any and all rights, remedies and arguments the City or the Developer may have at law or equity, without limitation, to argue, assert, and/or take any position as to the legality or appropriateness of any present or future laws, non-franchise ordinances and/or rulings.

Section 7. *Failure to Enforce*. The failure by either the City or the Developer to insist in any one or more incidences upon the strict performance of any one or more of the terms or provisions of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver or relinquishment for the future of any term or provision, and the same shall continue in full force and effect. No waiver or relinquishment shall be deemed to have been made by the City or the Developer unless said waiver or relinquishment is in writing and signed by both the City and the Developer.

Section 8. Term and Termination.

- (a) This Agreement shall be effective for an initial term of ten (10) years from the effective date of this Agreement. Thereafter, the Agreement will renew for additional ten (10) year terms, unless either party notifies the other party of its intent to terminate or renegotiate the Agreement at least 180 days before the termination of the then current term. The additional term shall be deemed a continuation of this Agreement and not as a new franchise or amendment.
- (b) Upon written request of either the City or the Developer, this Agreement shall be renegotiated at any time in accordance with the requirements of State law upon any of the following events: changes in Federal, State or local laws, regulations or orders that materially affect any rights or obligations of either the City or the Developer.
- (c) In any event the parties are actively negotiating in good faith a new agreement or an amendment to this Agreement on the termination date of this Agreement, the parties by written mutual agreement may extend the termination date of this Agreement to allow for further negotiations. Such extension period shall be deemed a continuation of this Agreement and not as a new franchise license or amendment.

Section 9. Point of Contact and Notices. The Developer shall at all times maintain with the City a local point of contact who shall be available at all times to act on behalf of the Developer in event of an emergency. The Developer shall provide the City with said local contact's name, address, telephone number, fax number and email address. Emergency notice of the Developer to the City may be made by telephone to the City Clerk or the Public Works Department Director. All other notices between and among the parties shall be in writing and shall be made by personal delivery, depositing such notice in the U.S. Mail, Certified Mail, return receipt requested or facsimile. Any notice served by U.S. Mail or Certified Mail, return receipt requested, shall be deemed delivered five (5) calendar days after the date of such deposit in the U.S. Mail unless otherwise provided. Any notice given by facsimile is deemed received by the next business day. "Business Day" for purposes of this section shall mean Monday through Friday, City and/or the Developer-observed holidays excepted.

1	To the City:	Office of the City Manager
2		500 West Markham Street, 2 nd Floor
3		Little Rock, Arkansas 72201
4		Phone: 501-371-4510
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6	To PotlatchDeltic:	PotlatchDeltic Real Estate, LLC
7		ATTN: Sean Hoagland
8		Vice President of Real Estate Development
9		Chenal Properties, Inc.
10		7 Chenal Club Blvd.
11		Little Rock, Arkansas 72223
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13	To Chenal Valley	Chenal Valley Property Owners Association, Inc.
14	Property Owners	ATTN: Sean Hoagland
15	Association, Inc.:	Vice President of Real Estate Development
16		Chenal Properties, Inc.
17		7 Chenal Club Blvd.
18		Little Rock, Arkansas 72223
19	Section 10. Transfer and A	ssignment. This Franchise is granted solely to the Developer and shall
20	not be transferred or assigned wi	thout the prior written approval of the City which shall be in accordance
21	with applicable law; provided that	at such transfer and assignment may occur without written consent of the
22	City to a wholly owned parent or	r subsidiary of the Developer, between wholly owned subsidiaries of the
23	Developer, or to an entity acquiri	ng all or substantially all of the Developer's assets.
24	Section 11. Acceptance of T	<u>Terms</u> . The Developer shall have sixty (60) days after the final passage
25	and approval of this Ordinance	to file with the City Clerk its acceptance in writing of the provisions,
26	terms and conditions of this Or	rdinance, which acceptance shall be duly acknowledged before some
27	officer authorized by law to adm	inister oaths; and when so accepted, this Ordinance and acceptance shall
28	constitute a contract between the	City and the Developer subject to the provisions of the laws of the State
29	of Arkansas, and such contract shall be deemed effective on the date the Developer files acceptance with	
30	the City.	

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Section 12. Force Majeure. Each and every provision hereof shall be reasonably subject to acts of

God, fires, strikes, riots, floods, war, pandemics and other disasters beyond the Developer's or the City's

1	Section 13. <u>Severability</u> . In the event	any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph or		
2	subparagraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this Ordnance is declared or judged to be invali			
3	or unconstitutional, such a declaration or adjud	ication shall not affect the remaining provisions of this		
4	Ordinance, as if such invalid or unconstitutional provision were not originally a part of this Ordinance.			
5	Section 14. Repealer. All ordinances, resolutions, bylaws and other matters inconsistent with the			
6	Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of su	ch inconsistency.		
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8	ATTEST:			
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11	Allison Segars, City Clerk	Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor		
12	APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:			
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15	Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney			
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THIS FRANCHISE AGREEM	IENT is entered into as of the day of
2025.	
	POTLATCHDELTIC REAL ESTATE, LLC
	By:
	Sean Hoagland Vice President of Real Estate Development
	CHENAL VALLEY PROPERTY OWNERS
	ASSOCIATION, INC.
	By:
	Sean Hoagland Vice President of Real Estate Development
	Title:
	CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS
	By:
	Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor
ATTEST:	
Allison Segars, City Clerk	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Tom Carpenter, City Attorney	

1	<u>ACKNOWLEDGMENT</u>	
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3	STATE OF ARKANSAS	
4	COUNTY OF PULASKI	
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6	On this day of, 2025, before me,, a	
7	Notary Public, duly commissioned, qualified and acting, within and for said County and State,	
8	appeared in person the within named Sean Hoagland, who stated that he is the Vice President of	
9	Real Estate Development of PotlatchDeltic Real Estate, LLC, and further stated and	
10	acknowledged that he, in such capacity, had so signed, executed and delivered said foregoing	
11	instrument for the consideration, uses and purposes therein mentioned and set forth.	
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13	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.	
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16	Notary Public	
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18	My Commission Expires:	
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8	appeared in person the within named Frank Scott, Jr., who stated that he is the Mayor of the City	
9	of Little Rock, Arkansas, and further stated and acknowledged that he, in such capacity, had so	
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EXHIBIT "A"

Chenal Valley Drive Public Right-of-Way

Legal Description

A strip of land lying between the Chenal Valley Drive right-of-way and the back of curb on Chenal Valley Drive, said right-of way being more particularly described as beginning 25 feet South of the SE corner of Lot 32, Block 3, Chenal Valley "DuClair Court", Little Rock, Arkansas; Thence westerly, northerly and easterly along said right-of-way to a point 25 feet north of the NW corner of Lot 5, Block 85, Chenal Valley "Deauville Place", Little Rock, Arkansas; thence continuing Easterly 145 feet to the point of termination.

AND

A strip of land lying between the Chenal Valley Drive right-of-way and the back of curb on Chenal Valley Drive, said right-of way being more particularly described as beginning at the NE corner of Tract A, Block 16, Chenal Valley, Little Rock, Arkansas; said point also being on the West right-of-way of Chenal Parkway; thence westerly, northerly and easterly along the right-of-way of Chenal Valley Drive to a point on the westerly right-of-way of Gordon Road, and the point of termination.

AND

A strip of land lying between the westerly right-of-way of Gordon Road and the back of the west curb on Gordon Road, said right-of way being more particularly described as beginning at the intersection of the west right-of way of Gordon Road and the north line of Section 27, T-2-N, R-14-W, Pulaski County Arkansas; thence southerly to the north right-of-way of Chenal Valley Drive.

AND

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A strip of land lying between the easterly right-of-way of Gordon Road and the back of east curb on Gordon Road, said right-of way being more particularly described as beginning at the intersection of the east right-of way of Gordon Road and the north line of Section 27, T-2-N, R-14-W, Pulaski County, Arkansas; thence southeasterly to the east line of said Section 27 and the point of termination.



