RESOLUTION 15-64

BE IT RESOLVED that the appropriate officers of the City are authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the City that certain Agreement between the City and the Board of County Commissioners of Bay County, Florida, relating to the implementation of the County’s Leave No Trace Ordinance, for an amount not to exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000.00), in substantially the form attached hereto and presented to the Council today, with such changes, insertions or omissions as may be approved by the City Manager, whose execution of such agreement shall be conclusive evidence of such approval.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Panama City Beach, Florida, this 23rd day of April, 2015.

CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH

By: Gayle P. Oberst, Mayor

ATTEST:

Holly J. White, City Clerk

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INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT

THIS INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT ("Agreement") made and entered into this __ day of _____________ 2015, by and between the City of Panama City Beach ("Panama City Beach") and Bay County ("the County").

WHEREAS, there are approximately 19 miles of beach located between the west end of St. Andrews State Park to the east end of Camp Helen State Park ("the "Beach"); and

WHEREAS, the Panama City Beach fronts on approximately 8 miles of the Beach, and approximately 11 miles of the Beach are in the unincorporated areas of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Beach is used and enjoyed by residents and tourists, and sea turtles use the Beach to lay eggs and to hatch; and

WHEREAS, items of personal property left on the Beach overnight are obstacles for maintenance crews, security, and beach patrols, interfere with the public’s access, use and enjoyment of the Beach, pose safety hazards, adversely affect aesthetic beauty, tourism, economic interests, and can be an obstruction for sea turtles; and

WHEREAS, during the summer season especially, hundreds of beach tents, canopies, cabanas, shading devices, chairs, and other items of personal property have been left overnight on the Beach; and

WHEREAS, in order to protect and maintain the use of the Beach for residents, visitors, tourists, wildlife, sea turtles, maintenance crews, security, and beach patrols both the County and Panama City Beach have adopted regulations prohibiting overnight
placement of items of personal property on the Beach, commonly known as the “Leave No Trace” ordinances; and

WHEREAS, currently Panama City Beach has employed the staff and has established a program to enforce its Leave No Trace ordinance; the County contracts this service with a private vendor; and

WHEREAS, the County currently pays for the implementation of the Leave No Trace ordinances with tourist development tax revenues; and

WHEREAS, the use of tourist development tax revenues to implement the Leave No Trace ordinances and this Agreement furthers the purpose of the attraction of tourists, and the promotion of beach park facilities, beach improvement, maintenance, shoreline protection, enhancement, cleanup, and the physical preservation of the Beach; and

WHEREAS, the County and Panama City Beach desire to coordinate implementation of the Leave No Trace ordinances to achieve the purposes of the ordinances in a cost efficient manner through this Interlocal Service Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the terms, covenants and conditions of this Interlocal Service Agreement, the parties contract and agree as follows:

SECTION 1. AUTHORITY. This Agreement is entered into pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 163, Part I, Florida Statutes, which authorize public agencies to enter into agreements to provide services and jointly exercise the power, privileges, or authority that they share in common and which each might exercise separately.
SECTION 2. PURPOSE. The purpose of this Agreement is to implement the County’s Leave No Trace ordinance by removing the items from the Beach, in order to attract tourists, enhance the visitors’ experiences, and promote the image of the community as a resort destination. This Agreement is also intended to support beach park facilities, beach improvement, maintenance, shoreline protection, enhancement, cleanup, and the physical preservation of the Beach.

SECTION 3. PANAMA CITY BEACH TO IMPLEMENT THE LEAVE NO TRACE ORDINANCES. The County delegates to and authorizes Panama City Beach to enforce the County’s Leave No Trace ordinance along with its own within the unincorporated and incorporated areas of the Beach. Panama City Beach agrees to implement the County’s Leave No Trace ordinance in the same manner as its own and shall provide such personnel and equipment as are, in the opinion of the City, reasonably adequate for such purposes. As part of the implementation, Panama City Beach shall conduct a person-to-person tourist information program on the sand Beach to inform residents and visitors about the “Leave No Trace” ordinance.

SECTION 4. COSTS. The total cost to the County for Panama City Beach to implement the Leave No Trace ordinances shall not exceed $100,000.00. Panama City Beach shall submit an invoice no more frequently than monthly to the Director of the Bay County Tourist Development Council (“TDC”), who shall review it for approval and forward the invoice to the County for payment out of Tourist Development Tax Fund 125.
SECTION 5. TERM. The initial term of this Agreement shall be from the effective date of this Agreement through September 30, 2015. Thereafter, the County Manager and the City Manager may jointly agree to extend this Agreement for consecutive one (1) year terms commencing October 1, 2015.

SECTION 6. TERMINATION. This Agreement may be terminated by either party with or without cause upon (14) fourteen days written notice to the other. Payment of invoices shall be made for services rendered through the date of termination.

SECTION 7. INDEMNIFICATION. To the extent specified in Sec. 768.28, Florida Statutes (2013), Panama City Beach shall indemnify and hold harmless the County from any and all liability and shall defend all claims, actions, and suits against the County resulting from the City’s implementation of the County’s Leave No Trace Ordinance, except for liability resulting from the negligent, reckless, knowing, or intentional acts or conduct of the County. Nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of any entity’s sovereign immunity under Florida law.

SECTION 8. INSURANCE. Panama City Beach shall add the County as a named insured to all policies of insurance covering the City’s activities on the Beach and its implementation of the County’s Leave No Trace ordinance.

SECTION 9. NOTICE. Pursuant to this agreement, notice shall be in writing by email or by U. S. Mail, certified return receipt requested, addressed as follows:
SECTION. 10. ENFORCEMENT. This Agreement shall not obligate Panama City Beach to seek administrative, civil or criminal enforcement of the County’s Leave No Trace ordinance.

SECTION. 11. AMENDMENT. This Agreement may be amended only by the mutual written consent of the parties.

SECTION 12. SEVERABILITY If any provisions, or any portion thereof, contained in this Agreement is held unconstitutional, invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement, or portion thereof, shall be deemed severable, and shall not be affected and remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 13. FILING AND EFFECTIVE DATE. This Agreement shall become effective immediately upon the execution by Panama City Beach and the County as of the date set forth above, and upon filing as required by Section 163.01(11), Florida Statutes.

(Signatures on the following page)
SECTION 13. EXECUTION.

ATTEST:

Bill Kinsaul, Clerk

Guy M. Tunnell, Chairman

Approved as to form:

Office of County Attorney

ATTEST:

Holly White, City Clerk

Mario Gisbert, City Manager

\(^1\) Article VI, Section 5-122, Obstructions on the Beach and Beach Access Areas Prohibited, Bay County Code of Ordinance No. 12-14 as amended by Ordinance No. 12-37 and Chapter 7, Beaches, Boats, and Water Safety, Article VIII, Obstructions on the Beach and Beach Access Areas Prohibited, Panama City Beach Code of Ordinances, by Ordinance No. 1162E and Ordinance No. 1242.