



Staff Report

TO: City Council
FROM: Doug Story, Community Services Director
DATE: May 17, 2022
SUBJECT: **Consideration of Approval of Maintenance Agreement with Weaver Grading, Inc. for Weed Abatement Services on City-Owned Properties for an Amount not to Exceed \$140,000**

Background and Analysis:

The City of Beaumont owns roughly 200 acres of open space and vacant land. Per Municipal Code 8.08.015, property owners and occupiers of real property in the City shall maintain their property to eliminate fire hazards. As such, the City is seeking to contract weed abatement services to provide appropriate firebreaks in vacant City-owned parcels.

On July 14, 2021, a request for proposal was posted on PublicPurchase.com. A total of twelve (12) contractors downloaded the documents, but none submitted a bid. At the conclusion of the submittal period, City staff contacted those contractors to inquire the reason(s) of their decision not to submit a bid. Many of the contractors indicated the difficulty to perform the required handwork for removal and the shortage of employees to perform large scale jobs.

Per Beaumont Municipal Code Section 3.01.090, if no bids or proposals are received, the City may award by any alternative purchasing procedure. City staff contacted Weaver Grading, Inc., a local business, to request to review the scope of work and provide a bid if the services could be performed. Weaver Grading, Inc. performed a firebreak clearing and weed abatement on a single 4-acre property for review by City staff and it met the satisfaction criteria according to the municipal code.

City staff is recommending that City Council approve a maintenance agreement with Weaver Grading, Inc. for weed abatement services on City-owned properties.

Fiscal Impact:

The total amount for maintenance services for weed abatement of City-owned properties is \$140,000. \$65,000 will be funded from 100-6050-7068 in the 2021/2022 fiscal year budget. \$75,000 will be funded from 100-6050-7068 in the 2022/2023 fiscal year budget.

Recommended Action:

Approve a Maintenance Agreement for weed abatement of City-owned property in an amount not to exceed \$140,000 with Weaver Grading Inc.

Attachments:

- A. Maintenance Services Agreement
- B. Proposal