

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Removal of Residual Ground Material & Removal and Disposal / Reuse of Large Tree Trunks (Annual Contract) – RFB No. 23-0043
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the annual contract for the removal of residual ground material, and the removal and disposal/reuse of large tree trunks, with Truegrade Landworks LLC (Salem, AL), paying the City \$2.00/ton for the removal of residual ground material, and \$8.00/ton for the removal and disposal/reuse of large tree trunks. The services will be utilized on an “as needed” basis.

This service is needed for waste diversion from the landfills, to remove large tree trunks and other storm debris from weather events, and to provide continuous clearing of excess material from the City’s landfills. The City anticipates generating seven to ten thousand tons of outgoing mulch from either Pine Grove or Granite Bluff Landfill. Tonnage is dependent upon the grinder used at Public Works and will fluctuate over the course of a year due to down time and weather events.

The initial term of the contract will be for two (2) years with the option to renew for three (3) additional twelve-month periods. Contract renewal will be contingent upon the mutual agreement of the City and the Contractor(s).

Bid specifications were posted on the web page of the Purchasing Division, the Georgia Procurement Registry, and DemandStar. Three (3) bid responses were received on July 12, 2023. This RFB has been advertised, opened, and reviewed. The bidder(s) were:

Vendors	Truegrade Landworks LLC (Salem, AL)	Vickery Grinding, Inc. (Fortson, GA)	Govconlegacy ¹ (Atlanta, GA)
OPTION 1: REMOVAL OF RESIDUAL GOUND MATERIAL			
VENDOR WILL PAY CITY \$/PER TON	\$2.00	\$0.00	multiple pricing
OPTION 2: REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL/REUSE OF LARGE TREE TRUNKS			
VENDOR WILL PAY CITY \$/PER TON	\$8.00	No Bid	multiple pricing

¹ Govconlegacy provided multiple pricing which is unacceptable per the General Provisions, Item #9, Receipt of multiple bids: If at the bid opening more than one bid is enclosed in a single bid package, the City will consider the vendor non-responsive and bids will be returned to the vendor. Also, vendor provided an incomplete E-Verify (Form 3), which was required to be included with bid submission. Consequently, the vendor was deemed non-responsive.

Revenue will be deposited as follows: Integrated Waste Management Fund – Government Wide Revenue – Government Wide Revenue – Sale of Recycled Materials; 0207 – 099 – 1999 – REVN – 4559.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR THE REMOVAL OF RESIDUAL GROUND MATERIAL, AND THE REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL/REUSE OF LARGE TREE TRUNKS, WITH TRUEGRADE LANDWORKS LLC (SALEM, AL), PAYING THE CITY \$2.00/TON FOR THE REMOVAL OF RESIDUAL GROUND MATERIAL, AND \$8.00/TON FOR THE REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL/REUSE OF LARGE TREE TRUNKS. THE SERVICES WILL BE UTILIZED ON AN “AS NEEDED” BASIS.

WHEREAS, this service is needed for waste diversion from the landfills, to remove large tree trunks and other storm debris from weather events, and to provide continuous clearing of excess material from the City’s landfills. The City anticipates generating seven to ten thousand tons of outgoing mulch from either Pine Grove or Granite Bluff Landfill. Tonnage is dependent upon the grinder used at Public Works and will fluctuate over the course of a year due to down time and weather events; and,

WHEREAS, the initial term of the contract will be for two (2) years with the option to renew for three (3) additional twelve-month periods. Contract renewal will be contingent upon the mutual agreement of the City and the Contractor.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into an annual contract for the removal of residual ground material, and the removal and disposal/reuse of large tree trunks, with Truegrade Landworks LLC (Salem, AL), paying the City \$2.00/ton for the removal of residual ground material, and \$8.00/ton for the removal and disposal/reuse of large tree trunks. The services will be utilized on an “as needed” basis. Revenue will be deposited as follows: Integrated Waste Management Fund – Government Wide Revenue – Government Wide Revenue – Sale of Recycled Materials; 0207 – 099 – 1999 – REVN – 4559.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the _____ day of _____, 2023 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen voting _____.
- Councilor Barnes voting _____.
- Councilor Begly voting _____.
- Councilor Cogle voting _____.
- Councilor Crabb voting _____.
- Councilor Davis voting _____.
- Councilor Garrett voting _____.

Councilor Huff voting
Councilor Thomas voting
Councilor Tucker voting

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Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor