

City Council Agenda Item

Budgeted for: X Yes

Title of Agenda Item: Cemetery Maintenance: Discussion to reallocate services- Public Works

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Council Meeting Date: 6-16-2025

Background/History:

The City of Forest Park currently oversees the landscape maintenance of the following cemeteries:

- Main Street at Phillips Dr City-owned
- Conley Road Cemetery Privately owned by the Forest Park Lodge of Odd Fellows
- Elam Church Road Cemetery Privately owned by Elam Church Cemetery

All three sites are being serviced under contract by World Scape LLC, with approximately three months remaining in their current agreement. (Balance left: \$3950 X 3 = \$11,850)

Public Works is seeking directions on whether the City should continue maintaining the privately owned cemeteries at Conley Road and Elam Church Road. If the Council decides not to continue maintenance of the private sites, we recommend reallocating World Scape's services to prioritize high-visibility corridors such as:

- Jonesboro Road
- Old Dixie Highway
- Forest Parkway

Cost: \$ 0

This proposal aims to reallocate resources toward highly visible areas of the City that impact residents and visitors daily, while ensuring continued stewardship of City-owned assets.

Action Requested from Council:	
Discussion from Council to reallocate services from the landscape maintenance of 2 cemeteries to the Right-Of Ways throughout the City.	

Financial Impact:			