



## REQUEST FOR GRAND RAPIDS EDA ACTION

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**AGENDA DATE:** March 14, 2024

**STATEMENT OF ISSUE:** Consider approval of the proposal for tree clearing and grubbing of City parcel 91-033-1406 and authorize payment in the amount of \$28,710.00.

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### **BACKGROUND:**

With FAA action to release the portion of this City parcel from grant obligations still in process and with L&M Supply needing to access the property to remove the required trees, the City Council has already approved a Right of Entry Agreement for that access. We've come to recently learn, however, that lenders and title agents working on construction financing for the project have concerns with an L&M contractor doing this work on land not yet owned by L&M.

L&M needs to remove the trees on the site during a window of time that ends at the end of this month, to avoid federal environmental concerns over a protected species of bat. They have asked GREDA to separately hire their subcontractor, Casper Construction, to remove the 3.3 acres of trees on the City property. In turn, L&M (aka SE Seventh Ave. Distribution) agrees to reimburse GREDA through an equal increase in purchase price when the sale from GREDA to them is cleared by the FAA.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Make a motion to approve the proposal for tree clearing and grubbing of City parcel 91-033-1406 and authorize payment in the amount of \$28,710.00 to Casper Construction.

### **REQUIRED ACTION:**