



CITY OF MARSHALL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

Meeting Date:	Tuesday, January 25, 2022
Category:	AWARD OF BIDS
Type:	INFO/ACTION
Subject:	Awards of Bids for Ash Tree Removals in Various Parks
Background Information:	<p>As Emerald Ash Borer continues to get closer to Marshall and it's potentially devastating change to the landscape of Marshall, the city needs to be prepared for the potential costs associated with removing Ash Trees as well as continue to plant new trees to allow them time to grow before EAB get to Marshall, helping us diversify our trees species and populations.</p> <p>This fall a grant was received thru the MN DNR to provide \$93,390 in funding to be used for removing Ash trees in our parks and replacing each Ash tree with 2 new trees. The first step of this grant is to mark ash trees and bid for removal within the parks of Independence, Legion Field, Victory, Freedom and Channel Parkway Softball Complex.</p> <p>On January 20, 2022, quotes were received for this work – 5 contractors submitted proposals for the work at each park. Staff is recommending the approval to the respective low bidder for each park – bid tabulation attached.</p> <p>This grant requires a 25% match via cash match (\$15,090) and/or in-kind match (\$8,960) bringing the total project to \$117,440.00 and the City's contribution to \$24,050. The project deadline for completion is June 30, 2023.</p> <p>All expenses for the project will need to be paid by the city and then reimbursed by the MN DNR.</p> <p>Total costs for removals if awarded to each respective bidder is \$55,226.00 with a deadline of April 1, 2023, to complete the removals. \$72,000 was budgeted in the grant for tree removals. Parks Superintendent, Preston Stensrud, would like to utilize the remaining funds for additional removals not to exceed the \$72,000 total as budgeted per that grant agreement to capitalize on the full amount of grant funding.</p>
Fiscal Impact:	\$55,226.00 is current total cost per attached bids with project total for removals not to exceed \$72,000 per the Grant agreement. This will be paid out of Parks Department Budget 101-45200-53425 and the city being reimbursed by MN DNR in the amount of \$61,500 after the removals are complete for a net cost to the City of Marshall of \$10,500.
Alternative/Variations:	N/A
Recommendations:	Award bids for Ash Tree Removals for Independence Park to Brian's Tree Service, Legion Field to Scott's Tree Service, Victory Park to Action Company LLC, Channel Parkway Softball Complex to TSL Tree Service, and Freedom Park to Herigon's Tree Service.