

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

MEETING DATE: 6/23 PREPARED BY: Sean P. Ballantine - Director of Public Services AGENDA ITEM CONTENT: Director of Public Services - Tree Grant and Professional Services Agreement AGENDA ITEM SECTION: Reports

BUDGETED AMOUNT:

FUNDS REQUESTED: S

FUND:

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Earlier this year, the City Manager, with assistance from staff, submitted a grant for a federally funded Tree Planting and Inventory Program through the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR). As part of the grant application process, the City solicited several firms to provide proposals for the tree inventory service. Davey Resource Group provided the most comprehensive and cost-effective proposal, and has extensive experience performing this scope of work for this particular grant. On Monday, June 9, the City was informed that our grant proposal was selected for full funding in the amount of \$119,350, and that we were awarded the grant.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that Council consider two motions:

To authorize the City Manager to sign the Grant Agreement for the MDNR Urban and Community Forestry Inflation Reduction Act Grant in the amount of \$119,350

To authorize the City Manager to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Davey Resource Group as has been deemed to be in the best interest of the city for an amount not to exceed \$52,000