CITY OF SHEBOYGAN

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

ITEM DESCRIPTION: A resolution authorizing the appropriate City Officials to execute an agreement with Schichtel's Nursery, Inc. regarding the purchase of street trees.

REPORT PREPARED BY: Bernard R. Rammer Purchasing Agent

REPORT DATE: February 7, 2022 **MEETING DATE:** February 15, 2022

FISCAL SUMMARY: STATUTORY REFERENCE:

Budget Line Item: 26553000-631100 Wisconsin N/A

Budget Summary: Park and Forestry Statues:

Open Space Fund Municipal Code: N/A

Budget \$ 53,450.00

Expenditure:

Budgeted Revenue: N/A

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS: The Emerald Ash Borer has resulted in the removal of many street and park trees throughout the City. This purchase will add 670 street and park trees to help fill vacancies that were created from the Emerald Ash Borer. The expenditure is included in the 2022 Budget plan.

STAFF COMMENTS: The City of Sheboygan maintains a Tree City USA designation. An abundance of healthy street and park trees enhances the quality of life for our residents. This purchase will increase our tree inventory to help get it back to preemerald ash borer levels. The purchase was put to public bid and the bid received from Schichtels Nursery Inc. of Springville, New York being the most complete in the ability to provide the trees as well as the most cost effective from a price standpoint. The trees to be purchased are spread across many different species so as to avoid a situation such as is being experienced with the Ash species. Forestry Division Staff will plant the trees.

Species include: dogwood, serviceberry, sweetgum, cherry, seven-son flower, ironwood, tree lilac, planetree, Kentucky coffee tree, Jefferson elm, honey locust, zelkova, yellowwood, hackberry, Katsura tree, golden rain tree, oak, ginkgo, birch, hardy rubber tree, dawn redwood, tulip tree, northern catalpa, sugar maple, and hickory.

ACTION REQUESTED: Motion to recommend the Common Council adopt Res. No. 133-21-22 authorizing the appropriate City Officials to execute an agreement with Schichtel's Nursery, Inc. regarding the purchase of street trees.

ATTACHMENTS:

- I. Res. No. 133-21-22
- II. Schichtel's Nursery, Inc Agreement