CITY OF SHEBOYGAN

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

ITEM DESCRIPTION: A resolution authorizing the appropriate City officials to execute agreements with Schichtel's Nursery, Inc. and Chestnut Ridge Nursery, Inc. for the purchase of 720 street trees.

REPORT PREPARED BY: Bernard R. Rammer Purchasing Agent

REPORT DATE: September 6, 2022 **MEETING DATE:** September 13, 2022

FISCAL SUMMARY: STATUTORY REFERENCE:

Budget Line Item: 400500-641100 Wisconsin Statues: N/A Budget Summary: Improvements other Municipal Code: N/A

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Budget Expenditure: N/A Budgeted Revenue: N/A

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS: With the continued devastation of the Emerald Ash Borer, the City of Sheboygan is in an aggressive multi-year program related to the replacement of street trees. The City issued a request for Bids for street trees to be delivered to the City in the Spring of 2023. A tabulation of the bids yielded that the City would best be served with purchasing the 720 trees from two vendors resulting in the City receiving the species of trees desired at the lowest overall cost.

A check with the two nurseries involved as to the plan to divide the purchase resulted in a positive response to the plan from both nurseries.

STAFF COMMENTS: The City Forester specified trees with a wide variety of species to be purchased in the interest of biodiversity. City staff reviewed the bids from the nurseries and determined that splitting the purchase between two nurseries would result in the most complete variety of species desired at the lowest overall cost.

ACTION REQUESTED: Motion to recommend that the Common Council adopt Res. No. 62-22-23 authorizing the appropriate City officials to execute agreements with Schichtel's Nursery, Inc. and Chestnut Ridge Nursery, Inc. for the purchase of 720 street trees.

ATTACHMENTS:

- I. Res. No. 62-22-23
- II. Schichtel's Nursery Agreement
- III. Chestnut Ridge Nursery Agreement