

Memo

To: Village Board

From: Chris Clark, Director of Parks, Recreation, & Forestry

Re: Authorization to Contract for Ash Tree Removals

Date: March 15, 2022

Background Information:

The Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department is seeking authorization to contract the removal of ash trees infested with emerald ash borer in Management Unit 6 (the Taft St./Arrowhead Dr. neighborhood). There are 84 infested ash trees in this neighborhood to be removed at this time.

Request for quote proposals were sent to 16 tree services, with 5 quotes submitted for the project. The proposal is to perform the removal of 84 trees as well as the removal and restoration of the stumps. This work is to be completed by the end of October 2022.

Upon completion of these ash removals in Unit 6, we will have removed approximately 65% (275/425) of the ash trees within the village right of ways between staff and contracted work. Staff anticipates that the remaining ash tree removals within the village right of ways can be undertaken during normal tree removal operations over the next couple of years or may not require removal at this time.

Previous Information/Action:

Village staff presented a report to the Village Board in May of 2021 on the status of emerald ash borer infested trees within the community and potential costs associated with the tree removals. At the June 15, 2021 the Village Board gave staff authorization to obtain quotes from contractors and approved the contracting of a portion of that project and a portion to village staff at the July 20, 2021 meeting.

In 2021, The Village contracted a portion of ash tree removals with Treeo's Tree Service and a portion was performed by village staff. All trees were removed prior to the end of 2021, however, due to the weather, the contractor still needs to remove and landscape some of the stumps. That operation is to be completed as soon as the weather allows this spring.

Budget Item/Funding:

The Village budgeted \$60,000 for ash tree removals in the 2022 Budget in the EAB Fund for this operation.

Staff Recommendation/Request:

Staff is seeking direction and approval for ash tree removals. Possible motions could include:

- Award contract to _____ at a cost of \$ _____
- Have village staff perform the work on overtime
- A combination of a contractor and village staff

Attachments:

- Quote Tabulation
- Location Map

ASH TREES REMOVAL - FOREST MANAGEMENT UNIT 6
 QUOTE TABULATION
 84 ASH TREES & STUMPS

2022

CONTRACTOR	QUOTE A (TREE REMOVAL UNIT 6)	QUOTE B (STUMPS-ALL)	TOTAL
Treeo's Tree Service	\$ 28,207.70	\$ 16,235.30	\$ 44,443.00
Foleys Tree Service	\$ 30,800.00	\$ 14,900.00	\$ 45,700.00
Village of Allouez Staff	\$ 45,200.00	\$ 13,585.00	\$ 58,785.00
Big Boys Landscape & Snow Services	\$ 49,000.00	\$ 17,382.00	\$ 66,382.00
Selner Tree & Shrub Care	\$ 116,160.00	No quote	\$ 116,160.00
Yesterday's Trees	\$ 248,000.00	\$ 63,000.00	\$ 311,000.00
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