

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

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**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA**

02-134

SYNOPSIS -

AGENDA:

MARCH 18, 2002

SUBJECT:

BIDS ON TRASH
REMOVAL
SERVICES FOR
SCRUB PROGRAM

On March 5, 2002, the City received two bids for trash removal services at Spring Clean-Up and Removal of Urban Blight (SCRUB) locations per Bid No. V02-116. Based on the bids received, staff recommends award of the contract to Artistic Waste Services (1817 Euclid Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, Anthony J. Colosimo, President). Staff further recommends Waste Management of Iowa (201 SE 18th Street, Des Moines, Iowa, Curtis Hill, President), be approved as a secondary supplier in the event of unresolved performance issues with the primary supplier. Key among performance measures will be roll-off availability and SCRUB coordinator evaluations.

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

FISCAL IMPACT -

Funding is currently available from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funded SCRUB Project of \$75,000 and Solid Waste User Fees of approximately \$33,000. CDBG usually pays 67 percent of SCRUB costs each year in CDBG-eligible neighborhoods, with the remaining 33 percent of costs paid by the Public Works' budget.

SUBMITTED BY:

WILLIAM STOWE
PUBLIC WORKS
DIRECTOR

RECOMMENDATION -

Approve the low bid from Artistic Waste Services for trash removal services estimated at approximately \$108,000 for the 2002 SCRUB Program based on 2001 SCRUB Program volumes.

BACKGROUND -

The Community Development and Public Works Departments, in cooperation with 51 neighborhood associations, will be carrying out 26 SCRUB Saturdays in 2002. The first SCRUB Saturday is scheduled for April 6, 2002.

Because the trash removal contract for SCRUB had expired, Bid No. V02-95 was issued on January 11, 2002, to secure prices for SCRUB trash removal services. The bid included costs for roll-off containers, cost of compactor truck and driver (if requested by the City during a particularly high-volume SCRUB event), and the cost of tipping fees for trash and yard waste, as well as the cost of tire recycling.

On February 4, 2002, the City received a single bid for trash removal services. Waste Management of Iowa was the sole bidder. By Roll Call No. 02-472, dated February 18, 2002, the City Council voted to reject the bid, resulting in the rebid of trash removal services via sealed Bid No. V02-116 mailed out on February 19, 2002.

On March 5, 2002, the City received two bids for trash removal services for SCRUB. Artistic Waste Services was the low bid.

The projected costs for 2002 were made utilizing data from the 2001 SCRUB Project. These projections follow:

· 2001 SCRUB trash removal and landfill costs	\$110,038 (actual)
· 2002 projected SCRUB costs utilizing 3/5/02 bid	\$107,891 (est.) submitted by Artistic Waste Services

Agreement shall commence upon effective date and terminate 12 months thereafter, subject to renewal for up to two additional 12-month periods with the mutual agreement of both parties. Contract performance including, but not limited to, the ability to successfully provide roll-off containers in a timely manner when needed at SCRUB sites will serve, in large part, as the basis for possible consideration of an extension.

The Public Works Department will be following up with neighborhood leaders after SCRUB events to obtain feedback on the program. The post-event evaluations by neighborhood SCRUB coordinators will include the contractor performance issues of having the correct quantity and mix of equipment on site by 6:45 a.m., replacing full containers immediately, and keeping overall wait times to 25 minutes or less.