

Council Communication

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Date: April 11, 2011

Agenda Item No. 33

Roll Call No. <u>11-607</u> Communication No. 11-221

Submitted by: William G. Stowe,

Assistant City Manager—Public Works Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Sale of estimated 20,000 cubic yards of wood chips to Wright Outdoor Solutions, Bryon McGuiness, President, 8000 Raccoon River Dr., West Des Moines, IA 50266.

SYNOPSIS:

The Forestry Division of Public Works removes trees from City property and stores the debris at a site near Raccoon Street and SE 30th. The debris is ground and the resulting wood chips are sold to the highest bidder.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$35,000

Funding Source: FY2010-11 Operating Budget, Public Works, Forestry Division, IS021, PWK101000,

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

In March 2011, notice was sent to four companies that had expressed interest in the wood chips. One company, Wright Outdoor Solutions, responded with a bid of \$1.75/ cubic yard of chips. The wood chips will be made available multiple times during the year for the contractor to collect.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: May 10, 2010

Roll Call Number: 10-730

Action: <u>Sale</u> of estimated 300 truckloads of wood chips to Wright Outdoor Solutions (Byron McGuiness, President), estimated annual revenue \$37,500. (Four bids mailed, three received). **Moved by Moore to adopt; refer to the City Manager to report if revenue from the sale of wood chips can be used for planting trees and/or equipment for tree maintenance. Motion Carried 7-0.**

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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