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	Agenda Item No.	33A
	Roll Call No.	<u>18-1343</u>
	Communication No.	<u>18-414</u>
	Submitted by:	Jonathan A. Gano, P.E., Public Works Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Accept low bidder for tree removal in parks.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend acceptance of Family Tree Care at a cost of \$149,307.00 for removal of 101 trees in parks City-wide.

This is a continuation of work from a Fiscal Year (FY)2018 bid of \$349,016. The award at that time was for \$199,709 to expend available funds. In FY18 Family Tree Care removed 151 park trees in accordance with bid specifications. This work was done to the satisfaction of the City. The current award will remove the balance of trees per the original bid specifications. Family Tree Care was also the City’s first contractor to remove ash trees in FY15-FY17. They removed 2,137 public ash trees in that 3-year period to the satisfaction of the City.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$149,307

Funding Source: 2018-2019 CIP, Page Parks – 11, PK137 - Park Improvements, G.O. Bonds.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- By City Council action in approving the Parks Improvement budget, the City has established a 3-year funding program of \$400,000 to manage critical tree issues in all City parks, beginning in FY18. FY18 budget was \$200,000. FY19 budget is \$149,307.
- City-wide, trees in the park system have more needs than resources. In general, the state of forest health in parks is good, but a backlog of critical work exists that requires the use of contract services. The City expects to have a new baseline of tree condition in parks at the end of this 3-year budget cycle.
- The present bid revealed to the City that there is current need to spend \$349,000 just on removals.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: September 25, 2017

Roll Call Number: [17-1669](#)

Action: Purchases from the following:

- C. [Family](#) Tree Care (Rick Hanson, Owner) for City-wide hazardous tree removal services for use by the Public Works Department, \$199,709. (Nine potential bidders, one received). ([Council Communication No. 17-668](#)) Moved by Moore to adopt; refer to the City Manager for review and recommendation regarding adding additional employees to the City Forestry Division. Motion Carried 6-1. Absent: Cownie.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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