Roll Call Number

Agenda Item Number
15

Date August 3, 2026

RESOLUTION LEVYING ASSESSMENTS FOR FEES, FINES, PENALTIES, COSTS AND INTEREST IMPOSED IN THE ENFORCEMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TREE REMOVAL AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF
SCHEDULE NO. 2026-03, ACTIVITY ID 20-1111-000

WHEREAS, pursuant to its powers and duties as set out in Chapter 364, Code of Iowa, the City had given notice to the property owner(s) and an opportunity to cure, and where the property owner failed to cure and instead requested the City complete the abatement action, and where the City performed the required action to abate the public nuisance, and now the City seeks, as provided in 364.I2, Code of Iowa, to assess the costs of such action against the property set out on the attached Public Works Tree Removal, Schedule No. 2026-03, Activity ID 20-1111-000, for collection in the same manner as a property tax.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA: That the attached Public Works Tree Removal, Schedule No. 2026-03, Activity ID 20-1111-000, is hereby approved and adopted with the amounts shown thereon assessed and levied against such properties for collection in the same manner as a property tax.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That said assessment shall be payable in five equal annual installments and shall bear interest at the rate of 6.57% percent per annum, from the date of the acceptance of this assessment schedule; each installment of each assessment with interest on the whole assessment from date of acceptance of this schedule by the Council, shall become due and payable on July 1, 2027, and shall be paid at the same time and in the same manner as the September semiannual payment of ordinary taxes. Said assessment shall be payable at the office of the County Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, in full or in part and without interest within thirty days after first date of publication of the Notice to Property Owners of filing of the schedule of assessments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk be and is hereby directed to certify said schedule to the County Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, and to publish notice of said certification once each week for two consecutive weeks in the Des Moines Register, a newspaper printed wholly in the English language, published in Des Moines, Iowa, and of general circulation in Des Moines, Iowa, the first publication of said notice to be made within fifteen days from the date of the filing of said schedule with the County Treasurer, the City Engineer shall send by regular mail to all property owners whose property is subject to assessment a copy of said notice, said mailing to be on or before the date of the second publication of the notice, all as provided and directed by Code Section 384.60, Code of Iowa.

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Date August 3, 2026

Moved by _____ to adopt. Second by _____

Form Approved: */s/ Chas M. Cahill*
Chas M. Cahill
Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
BOESEN				
BARRON				
GATTO				
MANDELBAUM				
SIMONSON				
VOSS				
WESTERGAARD				
TOTAL				

MOTION CARRIED APPROVED

_____ Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, Laura Baumgartner, City Clerk of said City Council, hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

_____ City Clerk

ASSESSMENT
SCHEDULE NO 2026-03

Public Works Tree Removal 526070 PW071001

DATE 7/14/2026

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY	GeoParcel Number	CERTIFICATE NUMBER	PROPERTY ADDRESS OWNERS NAME	DATE AND TYPE	COST	INCID	TO BE ASSESSED
110/02047-001-000	7824-29-426-011	15-00006-00	1500 PORTER AVE		$560.00	$ 100.00	$ 660.00
E 50 F N 1/2 LOT 110 FARR VIEW ACRES			T1 DOROTHY M RAY DOROTHY M RAY 1500 PORTER AVE DES MOINES, IA 50315-4821				
100/09081-002-000	7924-36-476-038	15-00007-00	1323 DE WOLF ST		$2,330.00	$ 100.00	$ 2,430.00
LTS 9 & 10 BLK 6 DE WOLFS ADDITION			T1 CONTRERAS, JOSEPH ISAIAS JOSEPH ISAIAS CONTRERAS 1323 DE WOLF ST DES MOINES, IA 50316-2717				
				TOTALS	$2,890.00	$ 200.00	$3,090.00

NOTICE OF FILING OF THE SCHEDULE OF ASSESSMENTS
AGAINST PROPERTIES FOR
PUBLIC WORKS TREE REMOVAL
SCHEDULE NO. 2026-03
ACTIVITY ID 20-1111-000

To: The Owners of the following described real estate situated in the City of Des Moines, Iowa:
LOCAL AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION

7824-29-426-011	**1500 PORTER AVE**	**-E 50 F N 1/2 LOT 110 FARR VIEW ACRES**
7924-36-476-038	**1323 DE WOLF ST**	**-LTS 9 & 10 BLK 6 DE WOLFS ADDITION**

You are hereby notified that the schedule of assessments against said properties for Activity ID 20-1111-000, Public Works Tree Removal now being assessed on Schedule 2026-03, has been adopted and levied by the City Council of Des Moines, Iowa, and that said schedule of assessments has been certified to the County Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa.

Assessments exceeding $100.00 are payable in five equal annual installments, with interest on the unpaid balance, all as provided in Sections 384.60 and 384.65, City Code of Iowa.

You are further notified that assessments may be paid in full or in part without interest at the office of the County Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, at any time within thirty days after the date of the first publication of this Notice of the Filing of the Schedule of Assessments with the County Treasurer. Unless said assessments are paid in full within said thirty-day period, all unpaid assessments will draw annual interest at 6.57% percent, commencing on the date of the adoption of the assessment schedule.

All said properties have been assessed for the cost of abating each nuisance: the amount of each assessment having been set out in the Schedule of Assessments, which is now on file in the office of the County Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa. For further information you are referred to said schedule of assessments.

LAST DAY TO PAY ASSESSMENT IN FULL OR IN PART AT THE POLK COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE WITHOUT INTEREST IS SEPTEMBER 4, 2026.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ON THIS ASSESSMENT, CALL 515-283-4231.

PUBLISHED IN THE DES MOINES REGISTER
8/5/2026 and 8/12/2026

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NOTE: PLEASE MAIL THE ENCLOSED INSERT ALONG WITH YOUR PAYMENT TO:

POLK COUNTY TREASURER
POLK COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE BUILDING
111 COURT AVENUE
DES MOINES, IOWA 50309-2298

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO THE POLK COUNTY TREASURER.

PLEASE DO NOT SEND PAYMENT TO CITY OF DES MOINES.

City of Des Moines Public Works
1700 Maury Street
Des Moines, Iowa, 50317

	Case Number: TREE-2025-000026
Notice of Violation	**Case Type:** Tree Nuisance **Case Opened:** 07/23/2025 **Date of Notice:** 07/23/2025 **Date of Inspection:** 07/02/2025

July 23, 2025

DOROTHY M RAY
1500 PORTER AVE
DES MOINES IA 50315

Address of Property: **1500 PORTER AVE, DES MOINES IA 50315**
Parcel Number: **782429426011**
Legal Description: **E 50 F N 1/2 LOT 110 FARR VIEW ACRES**
Nuisance Description: **Dead Ash tree in front yard threatening public right of way**

Please be advised that the City of Des Moines Public Works Department has inspected your property at the address shown and legally described above. Upon inspection, the Public Works Department has determined that a public nuisance exists on this property as described above, which was determined to be a threat to public safety, pursuant to Des Moines Municipal Code Section 42-348.

MUNICIPAL CODE VIOLATION(S)

Violation	Corrective Action	Compliance Due Date
42-348(6) - Specifically Identified Nuisances - Tree, Shrub, Wood or Debris	Remove any tree(s), shrub(s), wood, or debris which is infected, infested, dead, or damaged, and poses is a threat to either the entire urban forest or public health, safety, and welfare.	09/04/2025

The attached diagram shows the location of the above described nuisance.

You are hereby **ORDERED** to abate this nuisance by the **Compliance Due Date** shown above in accordance with the Corrective Action(s) shown above.

If you abate this nuisance by such date, you must contact the City of Des Moines Public Works Forestry Division at (515) 283-4950. An inspector will re-inspect the property. If the nuisance has been abated, action by the City regarding this Notice will be at an end.

a) **If you choose to manage the abatement yourself by the Compliance Due Date shown above**, you must contact the City of Des Moines, Public Works, Forestry Division at (515) 283-4950 or email DMForestry@dmgov.org **after the work has been completed.** An inspector will re-inspect the property. If the nuisance has been abated, action by the City regarding this Notice will be at an end.

b) **If you disagree with the determination that a public nuisance exists on your property**, read and follow the instructions in the section labeled **"Administrative Hearing"**.

c) **If you prefer to authorize the City of Des Moines to enter the property and cause the nuisance to be abated**, please sign and return the enclosed Request and Authorization to Proceed with Abatement of Nuisance according to the instructions on the form. ***Please be advised that such costs for nuisance abatement handled by the City may be higher than costs charged directly to you by a privately hired contractor.***

If you fail to take this abatement action by the Compliance Due Date shown above, as required by Des Moines Municipal Code Chapter 42, Article VI, you shall be deemed liable for the nuisance and the City of Des Moines Public Works Department may enter upon your property, and may make or cause to be made the necessary removal within your property, and assess the cost thereof to you and against your property. Such costs and expenses shall be certified as a lien against your property and collected in the same manner as a property tax, following administrative hearing if requested and in accordance with Iowa Code Section 364.12(3)(a) and (h) and Des Moines Municipal Code Chapter 42, Article VI.

Administrative Hearing

You or your duly authorized agent, as identified in a notarized statement provided by you, may file a written request for an Administrative Hearing regarding this determination of a public nuisance. If you decide to make a request for an Administrative Hearing, you are required to either hand-deliver such request or send such request via regular mail (US Postal Service, not by postage meter) within seven (7) calendar days of the date of this Notice to

City Clerk
City of Des Moines
400 Robert D. Ray Drive
Des Moines, IA 50309

Such request for Administrative Hearing must be in writing and must include your name, address, e-mail address, daytime telephone number, and must include the same contact information for any attorney and/or agent duly authorized by you to represent you at said hearing, and must include he basis for contesting the determination. If you request an Administrative Hearing, you and your attorney or agent, if identified, will receive notice of the date and time of the hearing at the address, email address, or phone number provided in your request for hearing at least three (3) business days in advance of the hearing. Failure to request a hearing within seven (7) calendar days from the date of this Notice shall be deemed a waiver of your right to contest the validity of the determination of nuisance, and abatement by the City may proceed as indicated herein. For further information, please see Des Moines Municipal Code Section 42-358.02(b).

For **more information**, or to report completion of abatement, contact Public Works Forestry Division at (515) 283-4950, or email DMForestry@dmgov.org.

Respectfully,

Shane McQuillan
City Forester
Public Works Department
City of Des Moines, Iowa

City of Des Moines Public Works
1700 Maury Street
Des Moines, Iowa, 50317

REQUEST AND AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE

Case Number:	**TREE-2025-000026**	Date:	**July 23, 2025**
Address of Property:	**1500 PORTER AVE, DES MOINES IA 50315**		
Parcel Number:	**782429426011**		
Legal Description:	**E 50 F N 1/2 LOT 110 FARR VIEW ACRES**		
Property Owner(s):	**DOROTHY RAY**		
Nuisance Description:	**Dead Ash tree in front yard threatening public right of way**		

The undersigned are the property owners (Owners) of the property shown above and hereby acknowledge receipt of the Official Notice to Abate Public Nuisance (Notice) issued on the date shown above, ordering the abatement of the public nuisance existing on the property within thirty (30) days.

Owners hereby acknowledge and waive the period of time set forth in the Notice provided for the Owners to abate the nuisance. Owners authorize the City of Des Moines to enter the property and make or cause to be made all necessary tree removals on the property, including all actions required to abate the nuisance. Owners further authorize the City to assess the cost thereof to the Property Owners and against the property. Owners acknowledge the right to request an Administrative Hearing no later than seven (7) calendar days after the date of the Notice and hereby waive the right to request and have an Administrative Hearing and the right to such hearing.

I certify under penalty of perjury and pursuant to the laws of the State of Iowa that the preceding is true and correct.

Signature(s) of Property Owners

Date	DOROTHY M RAY

Please return this form to:
Forestry Section Chief
Public Works Department
1700 Maury Street
Des Moines, IA 50317
or email form to JRDix@dmgov.org

familytreecare
FROM THE ROOTS UP

Tel: 515 278-5200
Fax: 515 278-0392

Date: 11/14/2025

City of Des Moines Public Works
Dan Just
1700 Maury St
Des Moines, IA 50317

Mobile: 515-681-1898

Job Name: 1500 Porter Ave - 20251113

Work Site: 1500 Porter Ave
Des Moines, IA 50315

Proposed By: Rick Hanson
ISA Certified Arborist #MW-3139A

#	Item	Description	Cost
1	Ash	Tree Removal - Bucket	$1,320.00
		Dead ash in front yard - Cut to ground level, haul all debris.	

Notes:

Prices subject to change after 60 days

Subtotal: $1,320.00
Tax: $0.00
Total: $1,320.00

Customer Signature Dan Just
1500 Porter Ave - 20251113

Date

XTREME TREE

Xtreme Tree
36656 N Avenue
De Soto, Iowa 50069

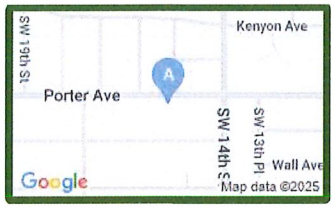
Proposal #22034
Created: 11/12/2025
From: Stuart Buse

Proposal For

City of Des Moines
PO BOX 224
Des Moines, IA 50306-0224
main: (515) 283-4106
drjust@dmgov.org

Location

1500 Porter Ave
Des Moines, IA 50315



1500 Porter Ave -Abatement 2025000026

Terms
Net 30

ITEM DESCRIPTION	DURATION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
1) Removal Remove dead ash in front cut low as possible.	1.75	$ 320.00	$ 560.00

Tags Equipment Bucket Truck

All work will be completed in accordance with these plans unless subsequent changes are agreed upon in writing. Balances not paid by the due date are subject to late fees.

Please note: Stump grinding is conducted by a separate team of ours from our tree removal team. Typically, stump grinding will be scheduled and completed with 3-7 business days after the initial tree removal depending on weather.

SUBTOTAL	$ 560.00
SALES TAX	$ 0.00
TOTAL	$ 560.00

Signature

x Date:

Please sign here to accept the terms and conditions

Contacts

Forestry Divison
DMForestry@dmgov.org

Photos

Xtreme Tree
36656 N Avenue
De Soto, Iowa 50069

Proposal #22034
Created: 11/12/2025
From: Stuart Buse

1) Removal

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All Ash Tree quotes are valid for 90 days from the date of proposal

Xtreme Tree is not responsible for damage to surfaces that may be caused by equipment/operations or because of a defect or wear of ground surfaces or from ground conditions.

Xtreme Tree does maintain responsibility for any damage caused as a result of tree cutting. By accepting this proposal, you are agreeing to these Terms and Conditions.

A copy of full Terms and Conditions are available upon request.

Polk County Assessor

111 Court Avenue #195
Des Moines, IA 50309-0904

(515) 286-3014 Fax (515) 286-3386
polkweb@assess.co.polk.ia.us

Location					
Address	**1500 PORTER AVE**				
City	DES MOINES	**Zip**	50315	**Jurisdiction**	Des Moines
District/Parcel	**120/01605-000-000**	**Geoparcel**	7824-29-426-011	**Status**	Active
School	Des Moines	**Nbhd/Pocket**	DM34/C	**Tax Authority Group**	DEM-C-DEM-770131
Submarket	South Des Moines	**Appraiser**	Andrew Rand, 515-286-3368		

Map and Current Photos - 1 Record

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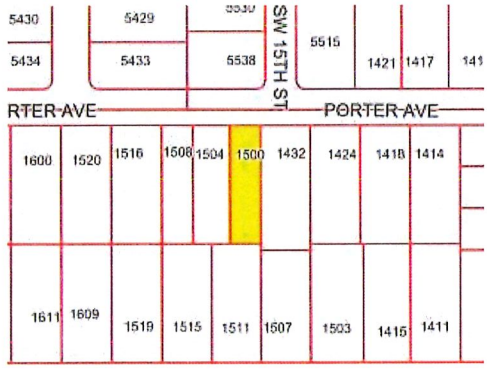

Bigger Map County GIS Auditor
Google Map Pictometry

Historical Photos

Ownership - 1 Record

Ownership	Num	Name	Recorded	Book/Page
Title Holder	1	RAY, DOROTHY M	1994-03-16	6979/596

Legal Links For Subdivisions, Condominiums, and Plats of Survey

FARR VIEW ACRES

Legal Description and Mailing Address

E 50 F N 1/2 LOT 110 FARR VIEW ACRES	DOROTHY M RAY 1500 PORTER AVE DES MOINES, IA 50315-4821

Current Values

Type	Class	Kind	Land	Bldg	Total
2025 Value	Residential	Full	$32,500	$134,000	$166,500

Assessment Roll Notice Market Adjusted Cost Report

Auditor Adjustments to Value

Category	Name	Information
2024 Homestead Credit	RAY, DOROTHY M	Application #24747
2024 Homestead Tax Exemption	RAY, DOROTHY M	

Zoning - 1 Record			
Zoning	**Description**	**SF**	**Assessor Zoning**
N3A	N3a Neighborhood District		Residential

City of Des Moines Community Development Planning and Urban Design 515 283-4182 (2012-03-20)

Land

Square Feet	9,500	**Acres**	0.218	**Frontage**	50
Depth	190	**Topography**	Normal	**Shape**	Rectangle
Vacancy	No	**Unbuildable**	No		

Residences - 1 Record

Residence # id=1

Occupancy	Single Family	**Residence Type**	1 Story	**Building Style**	Bungalow
Year Built	1957	**Number Families**	1	**Grade**	4-05
Condition	Normal	**Total Square Foot Living Area**	864	**Main Living Area**	864
Basement Area	864	**Deck Area**	168	**Foundation**	Concrete Block
Exterior Wall Type	Wood Siding	**Roof Type**	Gable	**Roof Material**	Asphalt Shingle
Heating	Gas Forced Air	**Air Conditioning**	100	**Number Bathrooms**	1
Bedrooms	3	**Rooms**	5		

Detached Structures - 1 Record

Detached Structure # id=101

Occupancy	Garage	**Construction Type**	Frame	**Measurement Code**	Dimensions
Measure 1	24	**Measure 2**	30	**Story Height**	1
Grade	4	**Year Built**	1998	**Condition**	Below Normal

Permits - 3 Records

Year	Type	Permit Status	Application	Reason	Reason1
2000	Permit	Complete	1998-06-09	Construction	GARAGE (720 sf) (Cost $12,268)

Year	Type	Permit Status	Application	Reason	Reason1
1999	Permit	Partial	1998-06-09	Construction	GARAGE (720 sf) (Cost $12,268)
1996	Pickup	Complete	1995-07-15	Addition	AIR CONDITIONING

Historical Values

Yr	Type	Class	Kind	Land	Bldg	Total
2025	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$32,500	$134,000	$166,500
2023	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$30,400	$128,700	$159,100
2021	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$25,300	$101,100	$126,400
2019	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$23,000	$93,100	$116,100
2017	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$20,100	$73,100	$93,200
2015	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$18,200	$68,100	$86,300
2013	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$17,300	$66,500	$83,800
2011	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$17,300	$67,100	$84,400
2009	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$18,200	$69,800	$88,000
2007	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$18,700	$72,000	$90,700
2005	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$17,800	$65,200	$83,000
2003	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$15,530	$57,250	$72,780
2001	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$14,760	$53,690	$68,450
2000	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$9,470	$49,920	$59,390
1999	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$9,470	$48,920	$58,390
1997	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$9,000	$38,440	$47,440
1996	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$8,340	$35,630	$43,970
1995	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$8,340	$34,530	$42,870
1993	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$7,320	$30,290	$37,610
1993	Was Prior Year	Residential	Full	$7,320	$25,820	$33,140

City of Des Moines Public Works
1700 Maury Street
Des Moines, Iowa, 50317

Case Number: TREE-2025-000026

Costs Due Notice

Case Type: Tree Nuisance
Case Opened: 07/23/2025
Date of Notice: 07/23/2025

Official Notice Regarding Costs of Public Nuisance

6/29/2026 12:00:00 AM

VIA REGULAR AND CERTIFIED MAIL

DOROTHY RAY

1500 PORTER AVE
DES MOINES IA 50315

Address of Property: **1500 PORTER AVE, DES MOINES IA 50315**
Parcel Number: **782429426011**
Legal Description: **E 50 F N 1/2 LOT 110 FARR VIEW ACRES**
Nuisance Description: **Dead Ash tree in front yard threatening public right of way**

Invoice Number: **INV-00204704**

Total Cost of Repairs: $560.00 **Payment Due Date:** **Monday, July 13, 2026**

Due to your failure to abate the condition within the time set forth in said prior notice, the City has abated the nuisance by removing the tree(s) or tree parts within your property at the cost shown on the attached invoice. This invoice was the cost provided by the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, including any change orders. For trees shared between multiple properties, the responsibility is split equally between all listed properties.

You are hereby directed to make full payment of your Cost Per Property portion of the enclosed invoice by the payment Due Date shown above. Said payment can be made online via the City's Customer Self Service portal, https://css.dmgov.org/. Select Pay Invoice and enter the full Invoice Number shown above. Or, if you prefer, you may make your payment by certified check or money order made payable to the City of Des Moines and mailed to the following address: **City of Des Moines, Attn: Forestry Division, Public Works Department, 1700 Maury Street, Des Moines, IA 50317.**

If you fail to make such payment by the Payment Due Date shown above, the City of Des Moines Public Works Department and City Council may assess the full cost against your property, which cost shall be certified as a lien against your property and collected in the same manner as a property tax, following administrative hearing if requested and in accordance with Iowa Code Section 364.12(3)(a) and (h) and Des Moines Municipal Code Chapter 42, Article VI.

If you have any questions about this notice, please contact Public Works Customer Service at (515) 283-4950.

You or your duly authorized agent, as identified in a notarized statement provided by you, may file a written request for an administrative hearing on costs of abatement only, as set forth in this notice. If you decide to make a request for an administrative hearing, you are required to either hand-deliver such request or send such request via regular mail (U.S. postal service) within seven (7) calendar days of the date of this letter to: **City Clerk, City of Des Moines, Iowa, 1200 Locust Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50309**.

Such request for administrative hearing must be in writing and must include your name, address, electronic mail (e-mail) address, and daytime telephone number, and must include the same contact information for any attorney and/or agent duly authorized by you to represent you at the administrative hearing, and must include the basis for contesting the determination. Failure to request a hearing within seven (7) calendar days from the date of this notice shall be deemed a waiver of your right to contest the validity of the determination of costs, and assessment of the abatement costs as shown on the attached invoice may proceed as indicated herein. For further information, please see Des Moines Municipal Code Section 42-358.02(b).

Thank you,
Jonathan Gano
Public Works Director
City of Des Moines, Iowa

Daniel Just

By: Dan Just, City Forester

Xtreme Tree Inc
36656 N Ave
De Soto, IA 50069-6232 USA
officemanager@xtremetreeinc.com
www.xtremetreeinc.com

Invoice

XTREME TREE

BILL TO	SHIP TO
City of Des Moines PO BOX 224 Des Moines, IA 50306-0224	Abatement 2025000026 1500 Porter Ave Des Moines, IA 50315

INVOICE #	DATE	TOTAL DUE	DUE DATE	TERMS	ENCLOSED
22034	12/09/2025	$560.00	01/08/2026	Net 30	

DATE		DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
12/08/2025	**Removal**	Remove dead ash in front cut low as possible.	1.75	320.00	560.00

Pay invoice

SUBTOTAL	560.00
TAX	0.00
TOTAL	560.00
BALANCE DUE	**$560.00**

CITY OF DES MOINES		PAGE: 1 OF 1	CHECK NUMBER:	00605423
INVOICE DATE	**INVOICE NUMBER**	**DESCRIPTION**		**INVOICE AMOUNT**
12/08/2025	20362-SO	Abatement 2923 SW 9th St		$800.00
12/09/2025	22034	Abatement 1500 Porter Ave		$560.00

Vendor No.	Vendor Name	Special Handling	Check No.	Check Date	Check Amount
46764	XTREME TREE	RE	605423	12/23/2025	$1,360.00

CITY OF DES MOINES
400 ROBERT D RAY DR
DES MOINES, IA 50309

Check Date	Check Number
12/23/2025	605423

$1,360.00

Pay *One Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Dollars and 00 Cents*

To the Order Of
XTREME TREE
36656 N AVE
DE SOTO, IA 50069

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Sent To: Dorothy M. Bay
Street, Apt. No.; or PO Box No.: 1500 Porter Ave
City, State, ZIP+4: Dsm, IA, 50315

PS Form 3800, August 2006 — See Reverse for Instructions

SENDER: *COMPLETE THIS SECTION*

- Complete items 1, 2, and 3.
- Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you.
- Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece, or on the front if space permits.

1. Article Addressed to:

Dorothy M. Ray
1500 Porter Ave
Des Moines, IA, 50315

9590 9402 9724 5199 8474 16

2. Article Number *(Transfer from service label)*

7011 1150 0001 5367 9395

COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY

A. Signature

x Dorothy Ray ☐ Agent ☑ Addressee

B. Received by *(Printed Name)* Dorothy Ray C. Date of Delivery 7/6/26

D. Is delivery address different from item 1? ☐ Yes
If YES, enter delivery address below: ☑ No

3. Service Type

- ☐ Adult Signature
- ☐ Adult Signature Restricted Delivery
- ☑ Certified Mail®
- ☑ Certified Mail Restricted Delivery
- ☐ Collect on Delivery
- ☐ Collect on Delivery Restricted Delivery
- ☐ Mail
- ☐ Mail Restricted Delivery (over $500)
- ☐ Priority Mail Express®
- ☐ Registered Mail™
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SENDER: *COMPLETE THIS SECTION*

- Complete items 1, 2, and 3.
- Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you.
- Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece, or on the front if space permits.

1. Article Addressed to:

Dorothy M. Ray
1500 Porter Ave
Des Moines, IA, 50315

9590 9402 9724 5199 8471 57

2. Article Number *(Transfer from service label)*

7011 1150 0001 5367 9340

COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY

A. Signature

X Dorothy Ray ☐ Agent ☐ Addressee

B. Received by *(Printed Name)* + DOROTHY RAY

C. Date of Delivery 7/31/20

D. Is delivery address different from item 1? ☐ Yes
If YES, enter delivery address below: ☐ No

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City of Des Moines Public Works
1700 Maury Street
Des Moines, Iowa, 50317

	Case Number: TREE-2025-000022
Notice of Violation	**Case Type:** Tree Nuisance **Case Opened:** 06/17/2025 **Date of Notice:** 06/17/2025 **Date of Inspection:** 06/17/2025

June 17, 2025

JOSEPH CONTRERAS
1323 DE WOLF ST
DES MOINES IA 50316

Address of Property: **1323 DE WOLF ST, DES MOINES IA 50316**
Parcel Number: **792436476038**
Legal Description: **LTS 9 & 10 BLK 6 DE WOLFS ADDITION**
Nuisance Description: **Declining maple tree with large cavity next to sidewalk and dead tree closest to alley threatening public space.**

Please be advised that the City of Des Moines Public Works Department has inspected your property at the address shown and legally described above. Upon inspection, the Public Works Department has determined that a public nuisance exists on this property as described above, which was determined to be a threat to public safety, pursuant to Des Moines Municipal Code Section 42-348.

MUNICIPAL CODE VIOLATION(S)

Violation	Corrective Action	Compliance Due Date
42-348(6) - Specifically Identified Nuisances - Tree, Shrub, Wood or Debris	Remove any tree(s), shrub(s), wood, or debris which is infected, infested, dead, or damaged, and poses is a threat to either the entire urban forest or public health, safety, and welfare.	07/31/2025

The attached diagram shows the location of the above described nuisance.

You are hereby **ORDERED** to abate this nuisance by the **Compliance Due Date** shown above in accordance with the Corrective Action(s) shown above.

If you abate this nuisance by such date, you must contact the City of Des Moines Public Works Forestry Division at (515) 283-4950. An inspector will re-inspect the property. If the nuisance has been abated, action by the City regarding this Notice will be at an end.

a) **If you choose to manage the abatement yourself by the Compliance Due Date shown above**, you must contact the City of Des Moines, Public Works, Forestry Division at (515) 283-4950 or email DMForestry@dmgov.org **after the work has been completed.** An inspector will re-inspect the property. If the nuisance has been abated, action by the City regarding this Notice will be at an end.

b) **If you disagree with the determination that a public nuisance exists on your property**, read and follow the instructions in the section labeled **"Administrative Hearing"**.

c) **If you prefer to authorize the City of Des Moines to enter the property and cause the nuisance to be abated**, please sign and return the enclosed Request and Authorization to Proceed with Abatement of Nuisance according to the instructions on the form. ***Please be advised that such costs for nuisance abatement handled by the City may be higher than costs charged directly to you by a privately hired contractor.***

If you fail to take this abatement action by the Compliance Due Date shown above, as required by Des Moines Municipal Code Chapter 42, Article VI, you shall be deemed liable for the nuisance and the City of Des Moines Public Works Department may enter upon your property, and may make or cause to be made the necessary removal within your property, and assess the cost thereof to you and against your property. Such costs and expenses shall be certified as a lien against your property and collected in the same manner as a property tax, following administrative hearing if requested and in accordance with Iowa Code Section 364.12(3)(a) and (h) and Des Moines Municipal Code Chapter 42, Article VI.

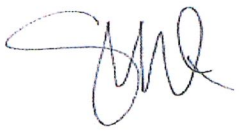
Administrative Hearing
You or your duly authorized agent, as identified in a notarized statement provided by you, may file a written request for an Administrative Hearing regarding this determination of a public nuisance. If you decide to make a request for an Administrative Hearing, you are required to either hand-deliver such request or send such request via regular mail (US Postal Service, not by postage meter) within seven (7) calendar days of the date of this Notice to

City Clerk
City of Des Moines
400 Robert D. Ray Drive
Des Moines, IA 50309

Such request for Administrative Hearing must be in writing and must include your name, address, e-mail address, daytime telephone number, and must include the same contact information for any attorney and/or agent duly authorized by you to represent you at said hearing, and must include he basis for contesting the determination. If you request an Administrative Hearing, you and your attorney or agent, if identified, will receive notice of the date and time of the hearing at the address, email address, or phone number provided in your request for hearing at least three (3) business days in advance of the hearing. Failure to request a hearing within seven (7) calendar days from the date of this Notice shall be deemed a waiver of your right to contest the validity of the determination of nuisance, and abatement by the City may proceed as indicated herein. For further information, please see Des Moines Municipal Code Section 42-358.02(b).

For **more information**, or to report completion of abatement, contact Public Works Forestry Division at (515) 283-4950, or email DMForestry@dmgov.org.

Respectfully,



Shane McQuillan
City Forester
Public Works Department
City of Des Moines, Iowa

City of Des Moines Public Works
1700 Maury Street
Des Moines, Iowa, 50317

REQUEST AND AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE

Case Number:	**TREE-2025-000022**	Date:	**June 17, 2025**
Address of Property:	**1323 DE WOLF ST, DES MOINES IA 50316**		
Parcel Number:	**792436476038**		
Legal Description:	**LTS 9 & 10 BLK 6 DE WOLFS ADDITION**		
Property Owner(s):	**Joseph Contreras**		
Nuisance Description:	**Declining maple tree with large cavity next to sidewalk and dead tree closest to alley threatening public space.**		

The undersigned are the property owners (Owners) of the property shown above and hereby acknowledge receipt of the Official Notice to Abate Public Nuisance (Notice) issued on the date shown above, ordering the abatement of the public nuisance existing on the property within thirty (30) days.

Owners hereby acknowledge and waive the period of time set forth in the Notice provided for the Owners to abate the nuisance. Owners authorize the City of Des Moines to enter the property and make or cause to be made all necessary tree removals on the property, including all actions required to abate the nuisance. Owners further authorize the City to assess the cost thereof to the Property Owners and against the property. Owners acknowledge the right to request an Administrative Hearing no later than seven (7) calendar days after the date of the Notice and hereby waive the right to request and have an Administrative Hearing and the right to such hearing.

I certify under penalty of perjury and pursuant to the laws of the State of Iowa that the preceding is true and correct.

Signature(s) of Property Owners

_____	_____
Date	JOSEPH CONTRERAS

Please return this form to:
Forestry Section Chief
Public Works Department
1700 Maury Street
Des Moines, IA 50317
or email form to JRDix@dmgov.org

XTREME TREE

Xtreme Tree
36656 N Avenue
De Soto, Iowa 50069

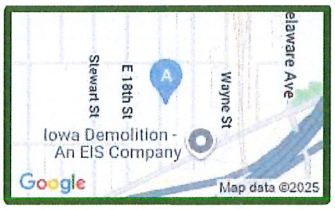
Proposal #21954
Created: 10/28/2025
From: Stuart Buse

Proposal For

City of Des Moines
PO BOX 224
Des Moines, IA 50306-0224
main: (515) 283-4106
drjust@dmgov.org

Location

1323 De Wolf St
Des Moines, IA 50316



Case number: 2025-000022 1323 De wolf

Terms
Net 30

ITEM DESCRIPTION	DURATION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
1) Removal Remove Silver Maple in front with 33 ton crane Service drop required	5	$ 615.00	$ 3,075.00
2) Hauling Hauling	1	$ 600.00	$ 600.00

Tags: Equipment Chip Truck | Electrical Service Drop | Equipment - Crane | Log Truck

All work will be completed in accordance with these plans unless subsequent changes are agreed upon in writing. Balances not paid by the due date are subject to late fees.

Please note: Stump grinding is conducted by a separate team of ours from our tree removal team. Typically, stump grinding will be scheduled and completed with 3-7 business days after the initial tree removal depending on weather.

SUBTOTAL	$ 3,675.00
SALES TAX	$ 0.00
TOTAL	$ 3,675.00

Signature

x Date:

Please sign here to accept the terms and conditions

Contacts

Forestry Divison
DMForestry@dmgov.org

Xtreme Tree
36656 N Avenue
De Soto, Iowa 50069

Proposal #21954
Created: 10/28/2025
From: Stuart Buse

Photos

1) Removal

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All Ash Tree quotes are valid for 90 days from the date of proposal

Xtreme Tree is not responsible for damage to surfaces that may be caused by equipment/operations or because of a defect or wear of ground surfaces or from ground conditions.

Xtreme Tree does maintain responsibility for any damage caused as a result of tree cutting. By accepting this proposal, you are agreeing to these Terms and Conditions.

A copy of full Terms and Conditions are available upon request.

familytreecare
FROM THE ROOTS UP

Tel: 515 278-5200
Fax: 515 278-0392

Date: 10/30/2025

City of Des Moines Public Works
Dan Just
1700 Maury St
Des Moines, IA 50317

Mobile: 515-681-1898

Job Name: 1323 De Wolf St - 20251030

Work Site: 1323 De Wolf St
Des Moines, IA 50316

Proposed By: Rick Hanson
ISA Certified Arborist #MW-3139A

#	Item	Description	Cost
1	Maple (Silver)	Tree Removal Large - Bucket Large silver maple in front yard close to the city sidewalk - Cut close to ground level, haul all debris.	$2,330.00

Notes:

Prices subject to change after 60 days

Subtotal: $2,330.00
Tax: $0.00
Total: $2,330.00

Customer Signature Dan Just
1323 De Wolf St - 20251030

Date

BBB ACCREDITED BUSINESS bbb.org

MEMBER ISA

Polk County Assessor

111 Court Avenue #195
Des Moines, IA 50309-0904

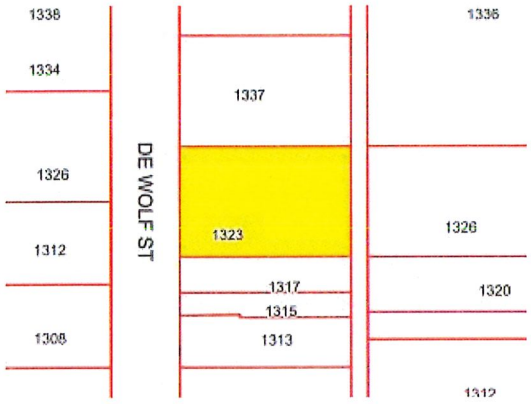
(515) 286-3014 Fax (515) 286-3386
polkweb@assess.co.polk.ia.us

Location					
Address	**1323 DE WOLF ST**				
City	DES MOINES	**Zip**	50316	**Jurisdiction**	Des Moines
District/Parcel	**110/02047-001-000**	**Geoparcel**	7924-36-476-038	**Status**	Active
School	Des Moines	**Nbhd/Pocket**	DM08/Z	**Tax Authority Group**	DEM-C-DEM-770131
Submarket	Northeast Des Moines	**Appraiser**	Katelyn Evans, 515-286-3832		

Map and Current Photos - 1 Record

Use Cyclomedia Panorama -

Click on parcel to get a new listing



Bigger Map County GIS Auditor
Google Map Pictometry

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Historical Photos

Ownership - 1 Record

Ownership	Num	Name	Recorded	Book/Page
Title Holder	1	CONTRERAS, JOSEPH ISAIAS	2025-06-04	20159/534

Legal Links For Subdivisions, Condominiums, and Plats of Survey

DE WOLF'S ADDITION

Legal Description and Mailing Address

LTS 9 & 10 BLK 6 DE WOLFS ADDITION	JOSEPH ISAIAS CONTRERAS 1323 DE WOLF ST DES MOINES, IA 50316-2717

Current Values

Type	Class	Kind	Land	Bldg	Total
2025 Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$19,900	$116,300	$136,200
2024 Value	Residential	Full	$17,300	$102,600	$119,900

Assessment Roll Notice Market Adjusted Cost Report

Zoning - 1 Record

Zoning	Description	SF	Assessor Zoning
EX	EX Mixed Use District		Commercial

City of Des Moines Community Development Planning and Urban Design 515 283-4182 (2012-03-20)

Land

Square Feet	10,000	**Acres**	0.23	**Frontage**	80
Depth	125	**Topography**	Normal	**Shape**	Rectangle
Vacancy	No	**Unbuildable**	No		

Residences - 1 Record

Residence #id=1

Occupancy	Single Family	**Residence Type**	1 Story Finished Attic	**Building Style**	Conventional
Year Built	1905	**Year Remodel**	2020	**Number Families**	1
Grade	4-05	**Condition**	Very Good	**Total Square Foot Living Area**	818
Main Living Area	528	**Attic Finished Area**	290	**Open Porch Area**	130
Foundation	Brick	**Exterior Wall Type**	Metal Siding	**Roof Type**	Gambrel
Roof Material	Asphalt Shingle	**Heating**	Gas Forced Air	**Air Conditioning**	100
Number Bathrooms	1	**Bedrooms**	2	**Rooms**	5

Sales - 4 Records

Seller	Buyer	Sale Date	Sale Price	Instrument	Book/Page
WHEELER HOMES LLC	CONTRERAS, JOSEPH ISAIAS	2025-05-27	$156,200	Deed	20159/534
FURMAN PROPERTIES LLC	KILBY, MASON K	2020-11-18	$118,000	Deed	18210/41
SCHMIDT, VICKI	FURMAN PROPERTIES LLC	2020-04-02	$55,000	Deed	17771/230

Seller	Buyer	Sale Date	Sale Price	Instrument	Book/Page
DAVIS, GEORGE	SCHMIDT, VICKI	2019-01-12	$40,000	Deed	17211/689

Associated Recorded Documents

Grantor	Grantee	Instrument Date	Recording Date	Instrument Type	Book/Pg
WHEELER HOMES LLC	CONTRERAS, JOSEPH ISAIAS	2025-05-27	2025-06-04	Warranty Deed	20159/534
SCHNEIDER, KEVIN J (Sheriff)	WHEELER HOMES LLC	2025-01-07	2025-01-21	Sheriffs Deed	20029/214
FURMAN PROPERTIES LLC	KILBY, MASON K	2020-11-18	2020-11-23	Warranty Deed	18210/41
SCHMIDT, VICKI	FURMAN PROPERTIES LLC	2020-04-02	2020-04-08	Warranty Deed	17771/230
DAVIS, GEORGE DAVIS, GILBERT DAVIS, JANE	SCHMIDT, VICKI	2019-01-12	2019-01-15	Warranty Deed	17211/689
MADISON, BERNICE DAVIS, GILBERT (Executor)	DAVIS, GILBERT DAVIS, GEORGE	2018-02-02	2018-02-02	Court Officer Deed	16809/968
MADISON, BERNICE DAVIS, GILBERT (Executor)	DAVIS, GILBERT DAVIS, GEORGE	2017-12-18	2018-01-24	Court Officer Deed	16799/976

Permits - 1 Record

Year	Type	Permit Status	Application	Reason	Reason1
2021	Pickup	Complete	2021-02-16	Correct Data	LISTING

Historical Values

Yr	Type	Class	Kind	Land	Bldg	Total
2023	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$17,300	$102,600	$119,900
2021	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$13,600	$78,300	$91,900
2019	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$12,400	$33,500	$45,900
2017	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$11,400	$31,300	$42,700
2015	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$10,300	$28,600	$38,900
2013	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$9,400	$26,500	$35,900
2011	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$10,700	$29,800	$40,500
2009	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$11,100	$30,000	$41,100
2007	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$11,100	$30,000	$41,100
2005	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$10,200	$25,800	$36,000
2003	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$8,570	$21,740	$30,310
2001	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$8,480	$17,920	$26,400
2000	Assessment Roll	Residential	Full	$2,990	$17,280	$20,270

City of Des Moines Public Works
1700 Maury Street
Des Moines, Iowa, 50317

Case Number: TREE-2025-000022

Costs Due Notice

Case Type: Tree Nuisance
Case Opened: 06/17/2025
Date of Notice: 06/17/2025

Official Notice Regarding Costs of Public Nuisance

6/29/2026 12:00:00 AM

VIA REGULAR AND CERTIFIED MAIL

Joseph Contreras

1323 De Wolf St
Des Moines IA 50316

Address of Property: **1323 DE WOLF ST, DES MOINES IA 50316**
Parcel Number: **792436476038**
Legal Description: **LTS 9 & 10 BLK 6 DE WOLFS ADDITION**
Nuisance Description: **Declining maple tree with large cavity next to sidewalk and dead tree closest to alley threatening public space.**

Invoice Number: **INV-00182699**

Total Cost of Repairs: $2,330.00 **Payment Due Date:** **Monday, July 13, 2026**

Due to your failure to abate the condition within the time set forth in said prior notice, the City has abated the nuisance by removing the tree(s) or tree parts within your property at the cost shown on the attached invoice. This invoice was the cost provided by the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, including any change orders. For trees shared between multiple properties, the responsibility is split equally between all listed properties.

You are hereby directed to make full payment of your Cost Per Property portion of the enclosed invoice by the payment Due Date shown above. Said payment can be made online via the City's Customer Self Service portal, https://css.dmgov.org/. Select Pay Invoice and enter the full Invoice Number shown above. Or, if you prefer, you may make your payment by certified check or money order made payable to the City of Des Moines and mailed to the following address: **City of Des Moines, Attn: Forestry Division, Public Works Department, 1700 Maury Street, Des Moines, IA 50317.**

If you fail to make such payment by the Payment Due Date shown above, the City of Des Moines Public Works Department and City Council may assess the full cost against your property, which cost shall be certified as a lien against your property and collected in the same manner as a property tax, following administrative hearing if requested and in accordance with Iowa Code Section 364.12(3)(a) and (h) and Des Moines Municipal Code Chapter 42, Article VI.

If you have any questions about this notice, please contact Public Works Customer Service at (515) 283-4950.

You or your duly authorized agent, as identified in a notarized statement provided by you, may file a written request for an administrative hearing on costs of abatement only, as set forth in this notice. If you decide to make a request for an administrative hearing, you are required to either hand-deliver such request or send such request via regular mail (U.S. postal service) within seven (7) calendar days of the date of this letter to: **City Clerk, City of Des Moines, Iowa, 1200 Locust Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50309**.

Such request for administrative hearing must be in writing and must include your name, address, electronic mail (e-mail) address, and daytime telephone number, and must include the same contact information for any attorney and/or agent duly authorized by you to represent you at the administrative hearing, and must include the basis for contesting the determination. Failure to request a hearing within seven (7) calendar days from the date of this notice shall be deemed a waiver of your right to contest the validity of the determination of costs, and assessment of the abatement costs as shown on the attached invoice may proceed as indicated herein. For further information, please see Des Moines Municipal Code Section 42-358.02(b).

Thank you,
Jonathan Gano
Public Works Director
City of Des Moines, Iowa

Daniel Just

By: Dan Just, City Forester

Invoice

Family Tree Care LLC
PO Box 3615
Urbandale, IA 50323

Tel: (515) 278-5200
familytreecarellc@gmail.com

familytreecare
FROM THE ROOTS UP

DATE	INVOICE #
12/10/2025	39826

Job PO Number
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Dan Just
1700 Maury St
Des Moines IA 50317

Terms
Due upon receipt

Job Name	Job Site	Phone	Salesperson	Total Due
1323 De Wolf St - 20251030	1323 De Wolf St	515-681-1898	Rick Hanson	$2,330.00

#	Item	Service Description	Completed	Tax	Qty	Price
1	Maple (Silver)	Tree Removal Large - Bucket Property owner - Yolanda - 515-710-8301 Large silver maple in front yard close to the city sidewalk - Cut close to ground level, haul all debris.	12/9/2025	0.00%	0.00	$2,330.00

Subtotal:	$2,330.00
Discount:	$0.00
Tax:	$0.00
Total:	**$2,330.00**
Balance Due:	**$2,330.00**

Thank you,
Family Tree Care

Make Checks Payable to: Family Tree Care

We accept VISA MasterCard

If you would like to receive information or news by email, please give us your email address.

BBB ACCREDITED BUSINESS bbb.org

MEMBER ISA

Accounts not paid within terms are subject to 2% monthly interest (26.82% per year)

CITY OF DES MOINES		PAGE: 1 OF 1	CHECK NUMBER: 00605808
INVOICE DATE	**INVOICE NUMBER**	**DESCRIPTION**	**INVOICE AMOUNT**
12/10/2025	39826	1323 DeWolf St	$2,330.00

Vendor No.	Vendor Name	Special Handling	Check No.	Check Date	Check Amount
36689	FAMILY TREE CARE LLC	RE	605808	01/08/2026	$2,330.00

CITY OF DES MOINES
400 ROBERT D RAY DR
DES MOINES, IA 50309

Check Date	Check Number
01/08/2026	605808

$2,330.00

Pay *Two Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Dollars and 00 Cents*

To the Order Of
FAMILY TREE CARE LLC
PO BOX 3615
URBANDALE, IA 50323

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Street, Apt. No.; or PO Box No.: 1823 De Wolf Street
City, State, ZIP+4: Des Moines, IA, 50316

PS Form 3800, August 2006 — See Reverse for Instructions