

## Forest Preserve District of Cook County

118 North Clark Chicago, IL 60602

## **Legislation Details**

File #: 20-0316 Version: 1 Name: Little Tykes Farm LLC, Woodstock, Illinois

Type: Contract Status: Approved

File created: 8/20/2020 In control: FPD Board of Commissioners

On agenda: 9/22/2020 Final action: 9/22/2020

Title: PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Department of Resource Management

Vendor: Little Tykes Farm LLC, Woodstock, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to enter into

and execute

Good(s) or Service(s): Hay farming at Spring Creek, Paul Douglas, Ned Brown Meadow, and Horizon

**Farms** 

Contract Value: \$9,009.00 (Revenue Generating)

Contract period: 9/22/2020 - 9/21/2021, with two (2) one-year renewal options to be exercised at the

discretion of the General Superintendent.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: Revenue generation of up to \$9,009.00 over the three (3) year term

Account(s): Revenue Generating

Contract Number(s): Project #20RM 106-R issued under Solicitation #20-31-005734

Concurrences:

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

District(s): 15

Summary: Historically, hay farming has taken place on land owned by the Forest Preserves. This practice allows the Forest Preserves to generate revenue, while simultaneously preventing invasive plant species from overtaking fallow land. It is the Forest Preserves' intention to restore fallow land wherever possible and these farming practices are a good method to retain manageable conditions until a restoration project can take place on the site. The contract term for hay cutting is a period of one (1) year, with two (2) one-year renewal options to be exercised at the discretion of the General Superintendent. This allows the Forest Preserves an option to discontinue farming practices in order to restore these lands to a natural condition. Mowing activities are only permitted after August 1st each year to minimize disturbance of nesting birds.

Project #20RM 106 was originally issued under Solicitation #20-31-05331, but was rebid due to non-response. Little Tykes Farm LLC was the sole bidder and responsible bidder for the four (4) locations listed below for a total potential revenue generation over the next three (3) years of \$9,009.00. A restoration access permit was granted to Little Tykes Farm LLC for the initial mowing season in 2020. Final agreement is subject to legal review and approval.

Site	Acres	Revenue
Spring Creek	124 ac	\$1,860.00
Paul Douglas	181 ac	\$2,715.00

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 Ned Brown Meadow
 123 ac
 \$369.00

 Horizon Farms
 271 ac
 \$4,065.00

 Total
 699 ac
 \$9,009.00

Sponsors:

Indexes: (Inactive) ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

**Code sections:** 

## Attachments:

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
9/22/2020	1	FPD Board of Commissioners	approve	Pass