



Legislation Text

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PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Department of Resource Management

Vendor: Atrium, Inc., Lemont, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Tree planting and landscape services

Contract Value: Not to exceed \$6,000,000.00

Contract Period: 1/1/2023 - 12/31/2024, with two (2) two-year renewal options to be exercised at the discretion of the General Superintendent

Estimated Fiscal Impact: FY 2023 \$1,000,000.00, FY 2024 \$1,000,000.00, FY 2025 \$1,000,000.00, FY 2026 \$1,000,000.00, FY 2027 \$1,000,000.00, FY 2028 \$1,000,000.00

Accounts: Professional Services 51031.520840; Grant and Mitigation 51010.521444 and 51010.520840; Recreation Supplies 51001.530230; Institutional Supplies 51001.530252; Consulting and Management Services 51001.520850; Campground Supplies 51001.530262; Special Events 51001.520635; Material and Supplies 51001.530267; Site Amenities 51009.560060 and 51031.560060; and all future Professional Services and Site Amenities accounts

Contract Number(s): #74000011240 issued under RFP #22-31-104R

Concurrences:

The Chief Financial Officer has approved this item. Final agreement is subject to legal review and approval.

The vendor has met the Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance provisions via direct participation.

District(s): Districtwide

Summary: The Forest Preserves issued a Request for Proposals seeking contractors to perform comprehensive tree planting and landscape maintenance services, including but not limited to: tree planting, trail maintenance and repair, turf restoration, irrigation and drainage system consultation, installation and maintenance of landscaping, landscape consultation and design, and procurement and delivery of landscape materials throughout the Forest Preserves.

Due to receiving only a single response to the initial public solicitation, the Request for Proposals was subsequently reissued in order to expand the list of qualified respondents. Two (2) firms submitted proposals in response to the RFP. A selection committee reviewed the proposals and both vendors were initially selected based on their qualifications to perform services under this contract. However, the other selected vendor was determined to be non-compliant with minority- and women-owned business enterprise ordinance provisions and their proposal was withdrawn. Therefore, the Forest Preserves is proceeding with award of the contract to Atrium, Inc. as the sole vendor.