

VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE
REPORT FOR THE VILLAGE COUNCIL WORKSHOP
JANUARY 8, 2008 AGENDA

SUBJECT:	TYPE:	SUBMITTED BY:
Bid: Tree and Stump Removal Contract	Resolution Ordinance ✓ Motion Discussion Only	Robin A. Weaver Interim Director of Public Works

SYNOPSIS

A motion is requested to award a contract for tree and stump removal services to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Homer Tree Care, Inc. of Lockport, Illinois, in the amount of \$230,574.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

A Beautiful Village is one of the eight principles identified in the Downers Grove Vision 2022 statement. Among other things, this principle means *Tree Canopied Streets* and *Well Maintained Streetscapes, Green Spaces and Landscapes*.

FISCAL IMPACT

The adopted FY08 General Fund budget provides \$245,600 for contractual tree and stump removal. This includes \$110,000 budgeted for tree and stump removal services plus an additional \$135,600 for ash tree removals (part of the \$250,000 for ash tree removals and replacements identified in the budget).

RECOMMENDATION

Approval on the January 15, 2008 consent agenda.

BACKGROUND

The Village issued a Call for Bids for tree and stump removal for 2008, with five bids received. The bids received are summarized on the attached bid tabulation. A summary of bids is below.

Service Provider	Total Bid
Homer Tree Care, Inc.	\$230,574.00
Family Landscaping & Tree Care, Inc.	\$247,831.00
Steve Piper & Sons, Inc.	\$262,896.60
Davey Tree Expert Co.	\$332,130.00
Kramer Tree Specialists, Inc.	\$517,818.00

The purpose of this contract is for the removal of trees and stumps from parkways, Village properties, and unimproved right-of-ways and alleys. These removals are necessary because of tree death, hazardous conditions, infectious diseases such as Dutch elm disease, and to start reducing the ash tree population. The contract amount is based on the average number of trees and stumps removed in the past eighteen years plus 400 ash trees. The number of tree removals and stump removals are not equal to each other because of some in-house removals, storm damage losses, and tree removals in unimproved right-of-ways where stumps may not be removed. Ash tree removals are carefully planned based on tree health and appearance, and will be scattered throughout the Village.

Homer Tree Care, Inc. submitted the lowest responsible and responsive and has previously had this contract with Downers Grove eleven times in the past eighteen years and all were successfully completed. For reference, the amount spent on this contract for FY 2007 was \$127,901.22.

ATTACHMENTS

Bid Tabulation

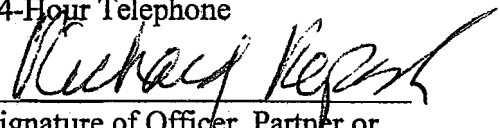
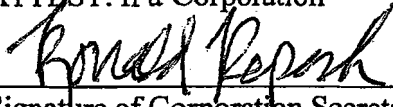
Contract Form

Bid Tabulation - Tree and Stump Removal - Opened Wednesday December 12, 2007											
		Homer Tree Care, Inc.		Family Landscaping & Tree Care, Inc.		Steve Piper & Sons, Inc.		Davey Tree Expert Co.		Kramer Tree Specialists, Inc.	
Tree or Stump Removal	Estimated Quantities	Unit Price per inch or stump	Extension	Unit Price per inch or stump	Extension	Unit Price per inch or stump	Extension	Unit Price per inch or stump	Extension	Unit Price per inch or stump	Extension
Removal all species except ash 4-19" diam.	1,920 inches (165 trees)	\$14.00	\$26,880.00	\$14.75	\$28,320.00	\$14.15	\$27,168.00	\$18.00	\$34,560.00	\$25.00	\$48,000.00
Removal only ash 4-19" diameter	3,550 inches (320 trees)	\$14.00	\$49,700.00	\$14.50	\$51,475.00	\$14.15	\$50,232.50	\$18.00	\$63,900.00	\$25.00	\$88,750.00
Removal all species except ash >19" diam.	2,300 inches (85 trees)	\$23.00	\$52,900.00	\$24.00	\$55,200.00	\$23.65	\$54,395.00	\$30.00	\$69,000.00	\$62.00	\$142,600.00
Removal only ash >19" diameter	1,814 inches (80 trees)	\$21.00	\$38,094.00	\$24.00	\$43,536.00	\$23.65	\$42,901.10	\$30.00	\$54,420.00	\$62.00	\$112,468.00
Stump removal all species except ash	230 (each)	\$100.00	\$23,000.00	\$110.00	\$25,300.00	\$140.00	\$32,200.00	\$175.00	\$40,250.00	\$200.00	\$46,000.00
Stump removal only ash	400 (each)	\$100.00	\$40,000.00	\$110.00	\$44,000.00	\$140.00	\$56,000.00	\$175.00	\$70,000.00	\$200.00	\$80,000.00
TOTAL			\$230,574.00		\$247,831.00		\$262,896.60		\$332,130.00		\$517,818.00

IV. BID/CONTRACT FORM (continued)

*****THIS BID WHEN ACCEPTED AND SIGNED BY AN AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY OF THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE SHALL BECOME A CONTRACT BINDING UPON BOTH PARTIES.**

Entire Block Must Be Completed When A Submitted Bid Is To Be Considered For Award

BIDDER:	
Homer Tree Care, Inc.	Date: December 11, 2007
Company Name	dan@homertree.com
14000 S. Archer Avenue, Suite 100	Email Address
Street Address of Company	Daniel Reposh
Lockport, IL 60441	Contact Name (Print)
City, State, Zip	815-378-1757
815-838-0320	24-Hour Telephone
Business Phone	
815-838-0375	Signature of Officer, Partner or Sole Proprietor
Fax	Richard Reposh, President
	Print Name & Title
ATTEST: If a Corporation	
	
Signature of Corporation Secretary	

VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE:

 Authorized Signature

 Title

 Date

ATTEST:

 Signature of Village Clerk

 Date

In compliance with the specifications, the above-signed offers and agrees, if this Bid is accepted within 90 calendar days from the date of opening, to furnish any or all of the services upon which prices are quoted, at the price set opposite each item, delivered at the designated point within the time specified above.