

**VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE**  
**REPORT FOR THE VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**OCTOBER 14, 2014 AGENDA**

SUBJECT:	TYPE:	SUBMITTED BY:
Change Order for Tree and Stump Removal Contract	Resolution Ordinance ✓ Motion Discussion Only	Nan Newlon, P.E. Director of Public Works

**SYNOPSIS**

A motion is requested to authorize a change order to an existing three-year contract for Tree and Stump Removal services to D. Ryan Tree & Landscape LLC of DeKalb, Illinois in the amount of \$30,000.

**STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT**

The goals for 2011-2018 identified *Top Quality Infrastructure* and *Steward of Fiscal and Environmental Sustainability*.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The FY14 budget includes \$145,800 in the General Fund for this contract, of which \$115,000 was already awarded under the existing contract. The remaining budget of \$30,000 is the amount of this change order.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Approval on the October 14, 2014 consent agenda.

**BACKGROUND**

In December 2012, the Village awarded a three-year contract to D. Ryan Tree & Landscape LLC of DeKalb, Illinois, in the amount of \$347,400.00 (\$115,800.00 for each year). The purpose of this contract is for the removal of trees and stumps from parkways, Village properties, and unimproved rights-of-way and alleys. These removals are necessary because of tree death, hazardous conditions, infectious diseases such as Dutch elm disease, and the need to reduce the ash tree population due to Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) infestations.

Staff has been closely monitoring the condition of parkway Ash trees and is finding that the number infested with EAB continues to increase. Contributing factors include the drought in 2012, the harsh winter in 2014 and the very nature of EAB to exponentially increase. Since 2008, staff has been selectively treating ash trees that are in good condition. As of May, 81 percent of the ash tree population is being treated and successful treatment has meant fewer or delayed ash removals. Most of the ash trees being removed were not treated.

The existing contract provides for the removal of 400 trees annually and includes all tree species that have died or become hazardous between January and December. To date, 375 trees have already been slated for removal for a dollar amount close to the contract limit of \$115,800. If approved, the change order for \$30,000 would allow the removal of another 120 trees. This would include both ash trees and other hazardous trees that would require removal by the end of the year. Any replacement plantings would be scheduled for 2015 and the costs are included in the proposed FY15 budget.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Change Order



# Village of Downers Grove Change Order

Project Name: Tree and Stump Removal

Date: 9/26/2014

Project No:

No: 2

Vendor: D. Ryan Tree & Landscape, LLC

P.O. # PW30.00700

**You are directed to make the following changes to this contract:**

Additional Items: Request change order to cover increased green ash removals due to Emerald Ash Borer infestations and increased ash mortalities.

The original contract sum was:.....	(1)	\$ 347,400.00
Net amount of previous change orders:.....	(2)	\$ 30,000.00
Current contract amount (1) + (2):.....	(3)	\$ 377,400.00
This Proposed Change Order:.....	(4)	\$ 30,000.00
Proposed Revised Contract Amount (3) + (4):.....	(5)	\$ 407,400.00

Net of Change Orders Pending Approval (4): \$ 30,000.00

Budget Estimate: \$ 145,800.00

Completion Date: 12/31/2014

Time Extension or Reduction: 0

Proposed Completion: 12/31/2014

**RECOMMENDED FOR ACCEPTANCE:**

**APPROVED:**

*Kerstin J. von der Heide* 9/26/2014

Submitter

Date

Village Manager

Date

Director of Public Works

*[Signature]*

9/26/14

Vendor

Date

It is understood that as part of this change order that the Contractor agrees that all bonds, permits, insurance, and guarantees are hereby extended to incorporate this Change Order.