



City of Nampa Business Item

TO:	Mayor and Council
FROM:	Cody Swander/Adam Mancini
NUMBER:	{{section.number}}-h
DATE:	November 4, 2024
SUBJECT:	Action Item: Authorize Mayor to sign the Kohlerlawn Cemetery Tree Removal & Stump Grinding contract with Wildwood Tree Care LLC in the amount of \$109,244.00. (Approved by City Attorney Todd Lakey) (Approved in FY25 Budget; #25-6020-022)

Background Summary:

The City of Nampa was awarded a \$1,000,000 Urban and Community Forestry grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service. This grant will be used to accomplish urban forest projects throughout the City of Nampa.

The City Forestry Division will use a portion of the grant funding (\$109,244) to remove and replace trees located at Kohlerlawn Cemetery. The removal of trees is necessary due to many trees becoming infested with cedar borers.

The attached contract is for the removal of 282 trees and stump grinding for 290 trees as described in the Request for Professional Services (Appendix A). At a future council meeting, we will bring forward a separate services agreement to replace the trees.

Reason for Project:

The City has spent the past several years attempting to control the cedar bores at the Kohlerlawn Cemetery with systemic insecticide and pruning. Controlling the insect infestation has not been successful and the trees require removal and replacement.

Funding/Project Costs:

Funding is through the Urban and Community Forestry Grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service. The cost of this tree removal and stump grinding project is \$109,244.

Note: Eleven contractors submitted bids for the tree removal project as listed on Appendix B. The low bidder withdrew his bid due to underestimating the significance of the project. With the low bidder withdrawing, the Parks Division recommends the bid be awarded to Wildwood Tree Care LLC who submitted the second lowest bid.

Staff Recommendation:

Authorize the Mayor to sign the Kohlerlawn Cemetery Tree Removal & Stump Grinding contract with Wildwood Tree Care LLC in the amount of \$109,244.

Attachments:

- Professional Services Agreement with Appendix A - Request for Professional Services and Appendix B - Bid Tabulation list.