## **BoCC APPROVAL DECEMBER 19, 2018 BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS DECEMBER 13, 2018**

# ITEMS REQUIRING BOCC APPROVAL (2 ITEMS)

## 1. STORM DEBRIS REMOVAL, TREE REMOVAL AND TREE TRIMMING SERVICES IN RESERVE A DEER LAKES ESTATES ADDITION IN SEDGWICK COUNTY -- PUBLIC WORKS <u>FUNDING -- PUBLIC WORKS</u>

(Request sent to 39 vendors)

RFP #18-0077 Contract

|                                     | Shawnee Mission Tree Services, Inc. dba Arbor<br>Masters Tree Service |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| 1. Mobilization Cost (one time)     | \$20,000.00   |   |
| 2. Price per Ton for Debris Removal | \$295.00  |   |
| No Bid                              | Arnold's<br>Greenhouse, Inc.  | Gene's Stump Grinding Services,<br>LLC. |

On the recommendation of Joe Thomas, on behalf of Public Works, Angela Caudillo moved to accept the proposal from Shawnee Mission Tree Services, Inc. dba Arbor Masters Tree Service for the rates listed above for one (1) year with three (3) one (1) year options to renew. Linda Kizzire seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

An evaluation team comprised of Jim Weber and Scott Lindebak - Public Works, Mark Sroufe - Lake Afton Park, and Kristen McGovern - Purchasing evaluated the proposal based on criteria set forth in the RFP. The evaluation committee selected Shawnee Mission Tree Services, Inc. dba Arbor Masters Tree Service based on the staff's previous years of experience with the county. References were checked and all have resulted in positive recommendations.

In 2012, the Oaklawn Tornado tore a path through the Oaklawn and Deer Lakes Estates neighborhoods, which are located southeast of Wichita near 47<sup>th</sup> St. South and Highway K-15.

In the aftermath of the tornado, storm debris was cleared in all areas except the natural creek channel that runs through Deer Lakes Estates. The channel is deep with steep sides and is covered with a thick timber stand. Access to the channel with conventional equipment is difficult. Dead, fallen and damaged trees diminish the flow capacity of the creek and log jams are causing erosion of the generally stable banks. Both sides of the creek are developed with residential housing and erosion of the banks threatens the homes.

Note:

Some of the no bidders were contacted to find out why they did not supply a proposal and some of them did not have the time and personnel to dedicate for this project. Some did not have the specialized equipment required.

#### Questions and Answers

Linda Kizzire: Since this happened in 2012 and this is 2018, why did we wait six (6) years to try to resolve this issue?

Jim Weber: It's a funding issue. We're using some solid waste fees generated funds that have been set aside for storm debris. Everything has come together and now is the time.

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Linda Kizzire: Do we think it's going to take four (4) years?

Jim Weber: No. We don't have a good measure of how much stuff is in there. At this price, we should be able to extract approximately 780 tons of material. Then we'll see where we are at. If there is still work to be done, we anticipate coming back one (1) more time.

Linda Kizzire: Based on the map, it's all this area in here?

Jim Weber: Yes. It follows the creek.

Russell Leeds: Is this one of those 42 projects on the stream clearance list?

Jim Weber: We don't have this on that list because we really don't have the equipment to do it. It's somewhere between logging and excavation so the contract we're looking at has some low impact skid steer loaders and some cable rigging to drag the stuff up the side of the bank. Then it's got to be trucked off and disposed of in a properly licensed facility. It could be a C and D landfill for example.

Russell Leeds: As I read this, there were 39 vendors or service providers notified and it appears there was only one (1) response?

Joe Thomas: Yes. Kristen checked on these other bidders and most of them said they did not have the time nor personnel to dedicate to this project. Some of them said they didn't have the specialized equipment that was required.

Jim Weber: In looking at their proposal, these people have been doing this kind of work following up after hurricanes. They are doing some work on some Air Force bases down in Oklahoma that is very similar to this kind of work. In some parts of the county, it would be very normal but this is in a pretty steep ravine that it's almost like logging on a mountainside. It won't look pretty but they will clean up when they get done and will seed it.