



MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

DATE: 1/3/2017

CONSENT

ITEM #: 9

AGENDA ITEM: Tree Removal at Hill Trl. N. 201 Drain Field System

SUBMITTED BY: Rob Weldon, Public Works Director

REVIEWED BY: Kristina Handt, City Administrator

BACKGROUND:

In 2015 Public Works was made aware of several large dead trees on a City owned 201Septic Drain Field located adjacent to 8061 Hill Trl. N. It was the intend to remove the trees in the winter of 2015-2016 but due to uncooperative weather conditions and the chance of damage to the drain field the project was postponed. Over the summer of 2016 several phone calls have brought the need to remove the trees to the attention of staff due to possible safety issues related to the dead trees falling on private dwellings bordering the drain field.

ISSUE BEFORE COUNCIL:

Should the City Council authorize removal of 4 dead trees on the Hill Trl. N 201 Septic Drain Field adjacent to 8061 Hill Trl. N due to safety concerns of neighboring residents.

PROPOSAL DETAILS/ANALYSIS:

Bids were obtained in the summer of 2016 for the removal and disposal of stated trees. To refrain from doing unnecessary damage to the drain field and adjoining property it is recommended to do this work in the winter months while there is frost in the ground. Both contractors that submitted bids plan to use equipment that will cause minimal impact to the drain field while cutting and removing trees. During periods of work, Hill Trl. N will see intermittent daytime closers in order to facility removal of trees and equipment staging. All disturbed areas will be reconditioned in the spring to their existing conditions.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Budget impact for this project shall be and amount not to exceed \$5,800 funded through the Sewer Utility Account.

OPTIONS:

- Authorize removal of trees.
- Deny removal of trees.
- Table for further discussion

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends removal of 4 large dead trees at the Hill Trl. 201 Drain field. For an amount not to exceed \$5,800.

“Move to authorize removal of dead trees located on the city owned 201 Drain field adjacent to 8016 Hill Trl. N for an amount not to exceed \$5,800”

ATTACHMENTS:

- BJ Haines Tree Service Quote
- M&S Tree Removal Quote

BJ HAINES



TREE SERVICE

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NAME <i>City of Lake Elmo</i>	PHONE <i>651-747-3941</i>	DATE OF CALL
ADDRESS <i>8061 Hilltop N</i>	CITY <i>Lake Elmo</i>	DATE OF ESTIMATE <i>7-27-16</i>
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Work Description	Thin Tree	Raise Canopy	Remove Dead	Thin from House/Lines	Removal	Remove Brush	Remove Logs	Cut Logs for Firewood	Cut On Ground Only	Grind Stump	Remove Stump Chips	Use of Neighbors Property	Cost Estimate
1 <i>Removal of</i>													
2 <i>4 trees on or</i>													
3 <i>near chain</i>													
4 <i>field at above</i>													
5 <i>address</i>							✓	✓	✓				<i>\$5800⁰⁰</i>
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PAYMENT TYPE: CASH / CHECK

SUBTOTAL	<i>\$5800⁰⁰</i>
SALES TAX	
TOTAL DUE	<i>\$5800⁰⁰</i>

BJ Haines Tree Service and its subcontractors will complete the work in accordance with the above specifications. All agreements are subject to factors beyond our control. ~~This estimate is good for one month, unless noted.~~ We reserve the right to cancel this estimate for any reason. *Authorized Signee*

Thank you,
Bonnie Haines

By accepting this estimate via in person or verbally, I agree to the proposed work and costs described above. I will pay BJ Haines Tree Service in full upon completion of work. I understand that for any additional work there will be an additional cost. For hidden hazards (i.e. metal or debris in tree) there may be additional costs to cover added time and damage to the equipment. Proof of liability insurance upon request.



Name / Address

Date	Estimate #
7/29/2016	23

Name / Address

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Total	\$7,200.00
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Date _____