



City of Spokane Park Board Urban Forestry Tree Committee Meeting

4:15 p.m. Tuesday, March 4, 2025
Hybrid in-person and WebEx virtual meeting
Katie Kosanke - Urban Forester

Committee Members:

- X Kevin Brownlee – Chair
- X Kevin Cash
- X Lindsey Shaw
- X Kris Neely
- Hannah Kitz – alternate – (Absent-Excused)

Parks Staff:

Katie Kosanke
Amber Ramirez
Karin Cook

SUMMARY

- The committee passed the following action items which will be presented to the Park Board for consideration and approval:
 - A1 Tree Service LLC – Tree Equity Spokane – On Call/As Needed Tree Pruning Contract NTE \$400, 000.000, contingent on available funding – consent agenda item
 - Bluebird Tree Care Inc – Tree Equity Spokane – On Call/As Needed Tree Pruning Contract NTE \$400,000.00, contingent on available funding – consent agenda item
 - Delk Management – Tree Equity Spokane – On Call/As Needed Tree Pruning Contract NTE \$400,000.00, contingent on available funding – consent agenda item
 - The F.A. Bartlett Tree Expert Company – Tree Equity Spokane – On Call/As Needed Tree Pruning Contract NTE \$400,000.00, contingent on available funding – consent agenda item
- An IRA USDA USFS Grant update was presented by Katie Kosanke.
- Katie Kosanke provided an Urban Forestry update.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is 4:15 p.m. Tuesday, April 1, 2025.

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 4:16 p.m. by committee chair Kevin Brownlee.

Public Comment: None

Action Items:

1. **A1 Tree Service LLC/Bluebird Tree Care Inc./Delk Management/The F.A. Bartlett Tree Expert Company – Tree Equity Spokane – On Call/As Needed Tree Pruning Contracts NTE \$400,000 each, contingent upon available funding.** – Amber Ramirez

In September 2023 the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced a \$6 million grant award to Spokane Urban Forestry. It will be used in part to hire multiple qualified contractors to perform high needs pruning across 15 neighborhoods included in the project boundary in areas of Spokane identified as overburdened and underserved. Work will occur in public right-of-ways, City properties and school properties. Four contractors were chosen from a competitive bid process for the tree pruning contracts. The current bid prices are locked in for two years with options to extend for two one-year terms.

Motion #1: Kevin Brownlee moved to recommend the A1 Tree Service LLC – Tree Equity Spokane – On Call/As Needed Tree Pruning Contract (NTE \$400,000.00, contingent upon available funding).

Kevin Cash seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion #2: Kevin Brownlee moved to recommend the Bluebird Tree Care Inc – Tree Equity Spokane – On Call/As Needed Contract (NTE \$400,000.00, contingent upon available funding).

Kevin Cash seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion #3: Kevin Brownlee moved to recommend the Delk Management – Tree Equity Spokane – On Call/As Needed Tree Pruning Contract (NTE \$400,000.00, contingent upon available funding).

Kevin Cash seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion #4: Kevin Brownlee moved to recommend The F.A. Bartlett Tree Expert Company – Tree Equity Spokane – On Call/As Needed Contract (NTE \$400,000.00, contingent upon available funding).

Kevin Cash seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The committee agreed to present these four recommendations as consent agenda items on the March 13 Park Board meeting agenda.

Discussion Items:

1. **IRA/USDA/USFS Urban and Community Grant Update** – Katie Kosanke

Katie Kosanke presented an IRA/USDA/USFS Urban and Community Grant update.

- a. The City of Spokane Urban Forestry was awarded a \$6 million dollar grant for increasing tree planting, increasing canopy cover and benefits trees provide, tree maintenance, and

educational outreach programs. Requirements of the grant include all work is to be done within a federal boundary which is outlined on a federal boundary map and that work is done on city properties, including parks, public right-of-way, and schools.

- b. Removals have been prioritized for year one with 25% of the removals completed. Work is currently paused however once work resumes it is anticipated to have the other 75% of removals completed within six months. Pruning will take place in years two through five and planting will be done throughout the five-year period.
- c. The program is currently on pause due to the grant being federally funded and Urban Forestry is waiting for clarification before work can resume. No other costs for the program will be incurred until clarity is received. UF has been in communication weekly with the grant administrator and is waiting for clarification.
- d. Many items have been completed for the project including education and outreach items, hiring an Urban Forester to oversee the project, and establishing contracts for planting, removals, and pruning and a pass-through sub-award for education and outreach with The Lands Council. The education and outreach pass-through sub-award and planting and removal contracts have already been finalized. The pruning contracts were presented to the committee at the UFTC meeting for consideration to move the contracts forward to the Park Board for approval, contingent on funding and receiving clarity. Planning is also in process for seedling programs for spring and tree planting.
- e. Citizens are encouraged to volunteer for tree planting opportunities in the spring and to continue to help build the list of tree planting locations.
- f. Back up plans are being looked at and a long-term sustainable urban forestry program is being considered for long term success of the program. In 2011 a stormwater tree fee was proposed, which would have provided funding for some assistance with street trees, but the proposal didn't pass. Other cities provide a level of support and assistance with street trees and UF is looking into what those cities programs look like and if it might be something that could be done in the City of Spokane.

Additional conversation took place regarding tree planting and possible sponsorship ideas. Katie advised UF has trees for planting, but not necessarily contract dollars to plant. Volunteer plantings could be done to get a smaller level of planting completed and volunteer plantings can be successful on a smaller scale. There are also opportunities through the Washington DNR for planting programs. Reaching out to large corporations regarding sponsorships was suggested as well as that local businesses might be interested in assisting with local activities and needs.

Amber Ramirez advised the bid request for the pruning contracts went out in September 2024 and four contactors were chosen. Pruning will be done to address major issues, reduce risk, for street and sidewalk clearance, to remove major deadwood and for formative pruning of young trees. Pruning will initially take place in high use areas like school walking and bus routes, city bus routes, and on city parks and school properties.

Standing Report Items:

1. Citizen Advisory Report – None

2. Urban Forestry Monthly Update – Katie Kosanke

- a. Urban Forestry will be hiring several seasonal staff for the tree crew.
- b. Work continues on dead tree removals and addressing beetle issues in numerous park locations. Tree removals at Audubon Park and Manito Park have been completed and removals at Comstock Park will be done next. The Park Operations crew has been assisting with some of the work.
- c. UF consulted with DNR Entomologist, Dana Brennan last month and confirmed UF is doing all they can to mitigate beetle issues and confirmed several green trees UF thought were infected with beetles did need to be removed due to active beetle infestations.
- d. UF will be transitioning to planting soon and is gearing up for spring planting.
- e. Fuels reduction work Nick Jeffries has planned for this year are currently being reviewed. He has many projects ready, and the work will be ready to proceed once review is completed.
- f. Arbor Day Celebration planning is in process. It is a fun and engaging community event that will be held on Saturday April 26th at Finch Arboretum.
- g. On-Track Academy will hold their Tree Hero Event on April 19th and UF is partnering with them on a seedling give away. OTA received a \$25,000 grant through Vita Coca for an outdoor forest classroom area, which should be finished in July. UF will assist with planting and contributing trees for the project.
- h. The Parks Department will have a weeklong program including a planting project with Urban Forestry for the juvenile probation program to provide examples of career paths within the Parks Department.
- i. UF is presenting at the Invasive Species Workshop on March 6th at Finch Arboretum. The workshop is held by Washington Department of Natural Resources and the Washington Invasive Species Council. They've created a playbook with all the damaging insect pests that are on the way and how other communities have dealt with them. The next big pest on the horizon is the Emerald Ash Borer.
- j. A street tree pruning and thinning project is being done on a center median island on Wieber Drive in the Indian Trail area with the work being completed by a tree service contractor.
- k. UF is completing training for development services staff who will be taking back street tree review duties. UF will be available for consult and will still be involved with CO and tree permits.
- l. Spokane Ponderosa is planning for select seedling plantings projects this spring. They will provide the seedlings and professional tree planting contractors for planting. Another round of spring planting will also take place at Down River Golf Course where many trees were lost to beetle kill.

Further discussion took place regarding trees being killed by beetles. It was noted that there has been a major uptick of beetles over the years mainly due to drought and mild winters that don't knock down the population of beetles which allows them to put out a third generation. The entomologist indicated we are on the upward curve, and it will drop down at some point and as

trees mature their defense mechanisms aren't as vigorous. There are tools on the horizon that are being developed that may be of assistance in the future. UF will continue consulting with the entomologist and is also working on public education and possibly a community workshop as many citizens are interested in the topic.

3. Urban Forestry Financial Report – Katie Kosanke

A current financial report was not available.

Other Discussion Items: None

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is 4:15 p.m. April 1, 2025.

Spokane Park Board

Briefing Paper



Committee	Urban Forestry Tree Committee	Committee meeting date: 3/4/2025	
Requester	Amber Ramirez	Phone number: 509-363-5499	
Type of agenda item	<input type="radio"/> Consent <input type="radio"/> Discussion <input type="radio"/> Information <input checked="" type="radio"/> Action		
Type of contract/agreement	<input checked="" type="radio"/> New <input type="radio"/> Renewal/ext. <input type="radio"/> Lease <input type="radio"/> Amendment/change order <input type="radio"/> Other		
City Clerks file (OPR or policy #)			
Master Plan Goal, Objective, Strategy (Click HERE for link to the adopted plan)	Goal A, Obj. 2	Master Plan Priority Tier:	First (pg. 171-175)
Item title: (Use exact language noted on the agenda)	A1 Tree Service LLC - Tree Equity Spokane - On Call/As Needed Tree Pruning Contract - NTE \$400,000.00, contingent on available funding		
Begin/end dates	Begins: 03/10/2025	Ends: 03/10/2027	<input type="checkbox"/> 06/01/2525
Background/history: On September 2023, the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced a \$6 million grant award to Spokane Urban Forestry. It will be used in part to hire multiple qualified contractors to perform high needs pruning across 15 neighborhoods included in the project boundary in areas of Spokane identified as overburdened and underserved. Work will occur in public right-of-ways, City properties and school properties.			
Motion wording: Motion to approve A1 Tree Service LLC - Tree Equity Spokane - On Call/As Needed Tree Pruning Contract - NTE \$400,000.00, contingent on available funding			
Approvals/signatures outside Parks: <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No If so, who/what department, agency or company: A1 Tree Service LLC Name: Lewis Harm Email address: a1stumpremovalspokane@gmail.co Phone: 509-688-9210			
Distribution: Parks – Accounting Katie Kasanke Parks – Sarah Deatrach Garrett Jones Requester: Amber Ramirez Grant Management Department/Name:			
Fiscal impact: <input type="radio"/> Expenditure <input type="radio"/> Revenue Amount: Budget code: 400,000 Expense: 1390-95855-76903-54201 400,000 Revenue: 1390-95855-76903-33310			
Vendor: <input checked="" type="radio"/> Existing vendor <input type="radio"/> New vendor Supporting documents: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Quotes/solicitation (RFP, RFQ, RFB) <input type="checkbox"/> W-9 (for new contractors/consultants/vendors) <input type="checkbox"/> Contractor is on the City's A&E Roster - City of Spokane <input type="checkbox"/> ACH Forms (for new contractors/consultants/vendors) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UBI: 604-314-671 Business license expiration date: 7/31/25 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance Certificate (min. \$1 million in General Liability)			



CITY OF SPOKANE
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

PUBLIC WORKS AGREEMENT

Title: TREE PRUNING – ON CALL – AS NEEDED

This Agreement is made and entered into by and between the **CITY OF SPOKANE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT** as (“City”), a Washington municipal corporation, and **A1 TREE SERVICE, LLC**, whose address is 25921 North Dalton Road, Deer Park, Washington, 99006 as (“Contractor”), individually hereafter referenced as a “party”, and together as the “parties”.

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Agreement is to provide On-Call, As-Needed Tree Pruning Services for the City of Spokane Parks and Recreation Department; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor was selected through PW ITB 6222-24 issued by the City of Spokane.

WHEREAS, funding for this Agreement is from the FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AWARD OF DOMESTIC GRANT 24-DG-11062765-157; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the terms, conditions, covenants and performance of the Scope of Work contained herein, the City and Contractor mutually agree as follows:

- 1. TERM OF AGREEMENT.**
The term of this Agreement begins on March 10, 2025, and ends on March 10, 2027, unless amended by written agreement or terminated earlier under the provisions. The contract may be renewed for two (2) additional one-year contract periods, subject to mutual agreement.
- 2. TIME OF BEGINNING AND COMPLETION.**
The Contractor shall begin the work outlined in the “Scope of Work” (“Work”) on the beginning date, above. The City will acknowledge in writing when the Work is complete. Time limits established under this Agreement shall not be extended because of delays for which the Contractor is responsible, but may be extended by the City, in writing, for the City’s convenience or conditions beyond the Contractor’s control.
- 3. SCOPE OF WORK.**
The Contractor shall provide On-Call, As-Needed Tree Pruning Services for the City of Spokane Parks and Recreation Department.

The Work is subject to City review and approval. The Contractor shall confer with the City periodically and prepare and present information and materials (e.g. detailed outline of completed Work) requested by the City to determine the adequacy of the Work or Contractor’s progress.

4. COMPENSATION / PAYMENT.

Total compensation for Contractor's services under this unit priced Agreement shall be a maximum amount not to exceed **FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$200,000.00, per year)**, plus applicable taxes, and in accordance with the Pricing Response in Exhibit C. This is the maximum amount to be paid under this Agreement for the work described in Section 3 above and shall not be exceeded without the prior written authorization of the City in the form of an executed amendment to this Agreement.

The Company shall submit its applications for payment to Parks and Recreation Department, City of Spokane, 808 West Spokane Falls Boulevard, 5th Floor, Spokane, Washington 99201. All invoices should include the City Clerk's File No. "OPR XXXX-XXXX" and an approved L & I Intent to Pay Prevailing Wage Number. The final invoice should include an approved Affidavit of Wages Paid number. Payment will not be made without this documentation included on the invoice. **Payment will be made via direct deposit/ACH** within thirty (30) days after receipt of the Company's application except as provided by state law. If the City objects to all or any portion of the invoice, it shall notify the Company and reserves the right to only pay that portion of the invoice not in dispute. In that event, the parties shall immediately make every effort to settle the disputed amount.

5. TAXES, FEES AND LICENSES.

- A. Contractor shall pay and maintain in current status, all necessary licenses, fees, assessments, permit charges, etc. necessary to conduct the work included under this Agreement. It is the Contractor's sole responsibility to monitor and determine changes or the enactment of any subsequent requirements for said fees, assessments, or changes and to immediately comply.
- B. The cost of any permits, licenses, fees, etc. arising as a result of the projects included in this Agreement shall be included in the project budgets.

6. PREVAILING WAGES.

- A. The State prevailing rate of wages to be paid to all workmen, laborers or mechanics employed in the performance of any part of this Contract shall be in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 39.12 of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) and the rules and regulations of the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries. (L&I).
- B. State of Washington prevailing wage rates applicable for this public works project, which is located in Spokane County, may be found at the following website address of the Department of Labor and Industries:

<https://fortress.wa.gov/lni/wagelookup/prvWagelookup.aspx>

Prevailing wages for all work performed pursuant to each work order must be the prevailing wage rates in effect at the beginning date for each contract year. On call contracts must have prevailing wage rates updated annually. Intents and affidavits for prevailing wages paid must be submitted annually for all work completed within the previous twelve-month period of the unit priced contract. (RCW 35.22.620)

Upon the anniversary date of the contract, labor rates may be adjusted according to the revised prevailing wages adopted by the Department of Labor and Industries at that time. In order to calculate the change in prevailing wages due to the Contractor,

the Contractor shall provide to the City of Spokane a breakdown of the fully loaded labor rates for each classification of labor including hourly wage rates, fringe benefits, overhead and profit. The City of Spokane shall not pay for any price escalation for overhead, profit, equipment, material, or any other costs except for changes in the prevailing wages. The revised prevailing wages shall be effective for any Work issued after the anniversary date of the contract. The basis of modified prevailing wage rates applicable for the contract shall be calculated and issued in writing by the City of Spokane, but such changes shall not be included in a change order. To the extent that the contract sum changes, a change order will be issued as appropriate.

C. A payment/performance bond is NOT required.

D. Statutory retainage is NOT required.

7. CITY OF SPOKANE BUSINESS LICENSE.

Section 8.01.070 of the Spokane Municipal Code states that no person may engage in business with the City without first having obtained a valid annual business registration. The Contractor shall be responsible for contacting the State of Washington Business License Services at www.dor.wa.gov or 360-705-6741 to obtain a business registration. If the Contractor does not believe it is required to obtain a business registration, it may contact the City's Taxes and Licenses Division at (509) 625-6070 to request an exemption status determination.

8. SOCIAL EQUITY REQUIREMENTS / NON-DISCRIMINATION.

No individual shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefit of, subjected to discrimination under, or denied employment in the administration of or in connection with this Agreement because of age, sex, race, color, religion, creed, marital status, familial status, sexual orientation including gender expression or gender identity, national origin, honorably discharged veteran or military status, the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability, or use of a service animal by a person with disabilities. The Contractor agrees to comply with, and to require that all subcontractors comply with, federal, state and local nondiscrimination laws, including but not limited to: the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, and the American's With Disabilities Act, to the extent those laws are applicable.

9. INDEMNIFICATION.

The Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold the City and its officers and employees harmless from all claims, demands, or suits at law or equity-asserted by third parties for bodily injury (including death) and/or property damage which arise from the Contractor's negligence or willful misconduct under this Agreement, including attorneys' fees and litigation costs; provided that nothing herein shall require a Contractor to indemnify the City against and hold harmless the City from claims, demands or suits based solely upon the negligence of the City, its agents, officers, and employees. If a claim or suit is caused by or results from the concurrent negligence of the Consultant's/Contractor's/Company's agents or employees and the City, its agents, officers and employees, this indemnity provision shall be valid and enforceable to the extent of the negligence of the Contractor its agents or employees. The Contractor specifically assumes liability and agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold the City harmless for actions brought by the Contractor's own employees against the City and, solely for the purpose of this indemnification and defense, the Contractor specifically waives any immunity under the Washington State industrial insurance law, or Title 51 RCW. The Contractor recognizes that this waiver was specifically entered into pursuant to the provisions of RCW

4.24.115 and was the subject of mutual negotiation. The indemnity and agreement to defend and hold the City harmless provided for in this section shall survive any termination or expiration of this agreement.

10. INSURANCE.

During the period of the Agreement, the Contractor shall maintain in force at its own expense, each insurance noted below with companies or through sources approved by the State Insurance Commissioner pursuant to Title 48 RCW:

- A. **Worker's Compensation Insurance** in compliance with RCW 51, which requires subject employers to provide workers' compensation coverage for all their subject workers and Employer's Liability Insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000.
- B. **General Liability Insurance** on an occurrence basis, with a combined single limit of not less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence for bodily injury and property damage. It shall include contractual liability coverage for the indemnity provided under this Agreement. It shall provide that the City, its officers and employees are additional insureds but only with respect to the Company's services to be provided under this Agreement;
 - i. Acceptable supplementary Umbrella coverage combined with Company's General Liability insurance policy must be a minimum of \$2,000,000, in order to meet the insurance coverage limits required in this Agreement; and;
- C. **Automobile Liability Insurance** with a combined single limit, or the equivalent of not less than \$1,000,000 each accident for bodily injury and property damage, including coverage for owned, hired and non-owned vehicles; and
- D. **Property Insurance** if materials and supplies are furnished by the Contractor. The amount of the insurance coverage shall be the value of the materials and supplies of the completed value of improvement. Hazard or XCU (explosion, collapse, underground) insurance should be provided if any hazard exists.

There shall be no cancellation, material change, reduction of limits or intent not to renew the insurance coverage(s) without thirty (30) days written notice from the Contractor or its insurer(s) to the City. As evidence of the insurance coverages required by this Agreement, the Contractor shall furnish a current and acceptable Certificate of Insurance (COI). The certificate shall specify all of the parties who are additional insureds, and include applicable policy endorsements, the thirty (30) day cancellation clause, and the deduction or retention level. The Contractor shall be financially responsible for all pertinent deductibles, self-insured retentions, and/or self-insurance.

11. SUBCONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY.

The Contractor must verify responsibility criteria for each first tier subcontractor, and a subcontractor of any tier that hires other subcontractors must verify responsibility criteria for each of its subcontractors. Verification shall include that each subcontractor, at the time of subcontract execution, meets the responsibility criteria listed in RCW 39.04.350(1) and possesses an electrical contractor license, if required by chapter 19.28 RCW, or an elevator contractor license, if required by chapter 70.87 RCW.

12. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR.

The Contractor is an independent Contractor. This Agreement does not intend the Contractor to act as a City employee. The City has neither direct nor immediate control over the Contractor nor the right to control the manner or means by which the Contractor works. Neither the Contractor nor any Contractor employee shall be an employee of the City. This Agreement prohibits the Contractor to act as an agent or legal representative of the City. The Contractor is not granted express or implied rights or authority to assume or create any obligation or responsibility for or in the name of the City, or to bind the City. The City is not liable for or obligated to pay sick leave, vacation pay, or any other benefit of employment, nor to pay social security or other tax that may arise from employment. The Contractor shall pay all income and other taxes as due.

13. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTING.

The Contractor shall not assign or subcontract its obligations under this Agreement without the City's written consent, which may be granted or withheld in the City's sole discretion. Any subcontract made by the Contractor shall incorporate by reference this Agreement, except as otherwise provided. The Contractor shall ensure that all subcontractors comply with the obligations and requirements of the subcontract. The City's consent to any assignment or subcontract does not release the Contractor from liability or any obligation within this Agreement, whether before or after City consent, assignment or subcontract.

14. TERMINATION.

Either party may terminate this Agreement, with or without cause, by ten (10) days written notice to the other party. In the event of such termination, the City shall pay the Contractor for all work previously authorized and performed prior to the termination date.

15. STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE.

The standard of performance applicable to Contractor's services will be the degree of skill and diligence normally employed by professional contractors in the region performing the same or similar Contracting services at the time the work under this Agreement are performed.

16. ANTI KICK-BACK.

No officer or employee of the City of Spokane, having the power or duty to perform an official act or action related to this Agreement shall have or acquire any interest in the Agreement, or have solicited, accepted or granted a present or future gift, favor, service or other thing of value from or to any person involved in this Agreement.

17. CONSTRUAL.

The Contractor acknowledges receipt of a copy of the Agreement documents and agrees to comply with them. The silence or omission in the Agreement documents concerning any detail required for the proper execution and completion of the work means that only the best general practice is to prevail and that only material and workmanship of the best quality are to be used. This Contract shall be construed neither in favor of nor against either party.

18. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION.

The Contractor has provided its certification that it is in compliance with and shall not contract with individuals or organizations which are debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible from participation in Federal Assistance Programs under Executive Order 12549 and "Debarment and Suspension", codified at 29 CFR part 98

19. CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND WARRANTY.

The Contractor acknowledges that it has visited the site of the work, has examined it, and is qualified to perform the work required by this Agreement.

The Contractor guarantees and warranties all work, labor and materials under this Agreement for two (2) years following final acceptance. If any unsatisfactory condition or defect develops within that time, the Contractor will immediately place the work in a condition satisfactory to the City and repair all damage caused by the condition or defect. The Contractor will repair or restore to the City's satisfaction, in accordance with the contract documents and at its expense, all property damaged by his performance under this Agreement. This warranty is in addition to any manufacturers' or other warranty in the Agreement documents.

20. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

- A. **Amendments/Modifications:** The City may modify this Agreement and order changes in the work whenever necessary or advisable. The Contractor will accept modifications when ordered in writing by the City, and the Agreement time and compensation will be adjusted accordingly.
- B. The Contractor, at no expense to the City, shall comply with all laws of the United States and Washington, the Charter and ordinances of the City of Spokane; and rules, regulations, orders and directives of their administrative agencies and officers.
- C. This Agreement shall be construed and interpreted under the laws of Washington. The venue of any action brought shall be in a court of competent jurisdiction, located in Spokane County, Washington.
- D. **Captions:** The titles of sections or subsections are for convenience only and do not define or limit the contents.
- E. **Severability:** If any term or provision is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected, and each term and provision shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- F. **Waiver:** No covenant, term or condition or the breach shall be deemed waived, except by written consent of the party against whom the waiver is claimed, and any waiver of the breach of any covenant, term or condition shall not be deemed a waiver of any preceding or succeeding breach of the same or any other covenant, term of condition. Neither the acceptance by the City of any performance by the Contractor after the time the same shall have become due nor payment to the Contractor for any portion of the Work shall constitute a waiver by the City of the breach or default of any covenant, term or condition unless otherwise expressly agreed to by the City in writing.
- G. **Entire Agreement:** This document along with any exhibits and all attachments, and subsequently issued addenda, comprises the entire agreement between the City and the Contractor. If conflict occurs between Agreement documents and applicable laws, codes, ordinances or regulations, the most stringent or legally binding requirement shall govern and be considered a part of this Agreement to afford the City the maximum benefits.
- H. **No personal liability:** No officer, agent or authorized employee of the City shall be personally responsible for any liability arising under this Agreement, whether expressed or implied, nor for any statement or representation made or in any connection with this Agreement.
- I. Under Washington State Law (reference RCW Chapter 42.56, the *Public Records Act* [PRA]) all materials received or created by the City of Spokane are **public records**

and are available to the public for viewing via the City Clerk's Records (online) or a valid Public Records Request (PRR).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, in consideration of the terms, conditions and covenants contained, or attached and incorporated and made a part, the parties have executed this Agreement by having legally-binding representatives affix their signatures below.

A1 TREE SERVICE, LLC

CITY OF SPOKANE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

By _____
Signature Date

By _____
Signature Date

Type or Print Name

Type or Print Name

Title

Title

Attest:

Approved as to form:

City Clerk

Assistant City Attorney

Attachments that are part of this Agreement:

- Exhibit A – Debarment Certification
- Exhibit B - Certification of Compliance with Wage Payment Statutes
- Exhibit C – Contractor's Response to ITB

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EXHIBIT A

**CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION,
INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION**

1. The undersigned (i.e., signatory for the Subrecipient / Contractor / Consultant) certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:
 - a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal department or agency;
 - b. Have not within a three-year period preceding this contract been convicted or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, receiving stolen property, making false claims, or obstruction of justice;
 - c. Are not presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and,
 - d. Have not within a three-year period preceding this contract had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

2. The undersigned agrees by signing this contract that it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction.

3. The undersigned further agrees by signing this contract that it will include the following clause, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions:

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions

1. The lower tier contractor certifies, by signing this contract that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency.

2. Where the lower tier contractor is unable to certify to any of the statements in this contract, such contractor shall attach an explanation to this contract.

4. I understand that a false statement of this certification may be grounds for termination of the contract.

<hr/> Name of Subrecipient / Contractor / Consultant (Type or Print)	<hr/> Program Title (Type or Print)
<hr/> Name of Certifying Official (Type or Print)	<hr/> Signature
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I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

Bidder's Business Name

Signature of Authorized Official*

Printed Name

Title

Date

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Check One:

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Briefing Paper



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Requester	Amber Ramirez		Phone number: 509-363-5499
Type of agenda item	<input type="radio"/> Consent <input type="radio"/> Discussion <input type="radio"/> Information <input checked="" type="radio"/> Action		
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Approvals/signatures outside Parks: <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No If so, who/what department, agency or company: Bluebird Tree Care Name: Ben Larson Email address: benlarsontree@gmail.com Phone: 208-651-3959			
Distribution: Parks – Accounting Katie Kosanke Parks – Sarah Deatrach Garrett Jones Requester: Amber Ramirez Grant Management Department/Name:			
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CITY OF SPOKANE
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

PUBLIC WORKS AGREEMENT

Title: TREE PRUNING – ON CALL – AS NEEDED

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The Company shall submit its applications for payment to Parks and Recreation Department, City of Spokane, 808 West Spokane Falls Boulevard, 5th Floor, Spokane, Washington 99201. All invoices should include the City Clerk’s File No. “OPR XXXX-XXXX” and an approved L & I Intent to Pay Prevailing Wage Number. The final invoice should include an approved Affidavit of Wages Paid number. Payment will not be made without this documentation included on the invoice. **Payment will be made via direct deposit/ACH** within thirty (30) days after receipt of the Company’s application except as provided by state law. If the City objects to all or any portion of the invoice, it shall notify the Company and reserves the right to only pay that portion of the invoice not in dispute. In that event, the parties shall immediately make every effort to settle the disputed amount.

5. TAXES, FEES AND LICENSES.

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- B. The cost of any permits, licenses, fees, etc. arising as a result of the projects included in this Agreement shall be included in the project budgets.

6. PREVAILING WAGES.

- A. The State prevailing rate of wages to be paid to all workmen, laborers or mechanics employed in the performance of any part of this Contract shall be in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 39.12 of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) and the rules and regulations of the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries. (L&I).
- B. State of Washington prevailing wage rates applicable for this public works project, which is located in Spokane County, may be found at the following website address of the Department of Labor and Industries:

<https://fortress.wa.gov/lni/wagelookup/prvWagelookup.aspx>

Prevailing wages for all work performed pursuant to each work order must be the prevailing wage rates in effect at the beginning date for each contract year. On call contracts must have prevailing wage rates updated annually. Intents and affidavits for prevailing wages paid must be submitted annually for all work completed within the previous twelve-month period of the unit priced contract. (RCW 35.22.620)

Upon the anniversary date of the contract, labor rates may be adjusted according to the revised prevailing wages adopted by the Department of Labor and Industries at that time. In order to calculate the change in prevailing wages due to the Contractor,

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C. A payment/performance bond is NOT required.

D. Statutory retainage is NOT required.

7. CITY OF SPOKANE BUSINESS LICENSE.

Section 8.01.070 of the Spokane Municipal Code states that no person may engage in business with the City without first having obtained a valid annual business registration. The Contractor shall be responsible for contacting the State of Washington Business License Services at www.dor.wa.gov or 360-705-6741 to obtain a business registration. If the Contractor does not believe it is required to obtain a business registration, it may contact the City's Taxes and Licenses Division at (509) 625-6070 to request an exemption status determination.

8. SOCIAL EQUITY REQUIREMENTS / NON-DISCRIMINATION.

No individual shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefit of, subjected to discrimination under, or denied employment in the administration of or in connection with this Agreement because of age, sex, race, color, religion, creed, marital status, familial status, sexual orientation including gender expression or gender identity, national origin, honorably discharged veteran or military status, the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability, or use of a service animal by a person with disabilities. The Contractor agrees to comply with, and to require that all subcontractors comply with, federal, state and local nondiscrimination laws, including but not limited to: the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, and the American's With Disabilities Act, to the extent those laws are applicable.

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The Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold the City and its officers and employees harmless from all claims, demands, or suits at law or equity-asserted by third parties for bodily injury (including death) and/or property damage which arise from the Contractor's negligence or willful misconduct under this Agreement, including attorneys' fees and litigation costs; provided that nothing herein shall require a Contractor to indemnify the City against and hold harmless the City from claims, demands or suits based solely upon the negligence of the City, its agents, officers, and employees. If a claim or suit is caused by or results from the concurrent negligence of the Consultant's/Contractor's/Company's agents or employees and the City, its agents, officers and employees, this indemnity provision shall be valid and enforceable to the extent of the negligence of the Contractor its agents or employees. The Contractor specifically assumes liability and agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold the City harmless for actions brought by the Contractor's own employees against the City and, solely for the purpose of this indemnification and defense, the Contractor specifically waives any immunity under the Washington State industrial insurance law, or Title 51 RCW. The Contractor recognizes that this waiver was specifically entered into pursuant to the provisions of RCW

4.24.115 and was the subject of mutual negotiation. The indemnity and agreement to defend and hold the City harmless provided for in this section shall survive any termination or expiration of this agreement.

10. INSURANCE.

During the period of the Agreement, the Contractor shall maintain in force at its own expense, each insurance noted below with companies or through sources approved by the State Insurance Commissioner pursuant to Title 48 RCW:

- A. **Worker's Compensation Insurance** in compliance with RCW 51, which requires subject employers to provide workers' compensation coverage for all their subject workers and Employer's Liability Insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000.
- B. **General Liability Insurance** on an occurrence basis, with a combined single limit of not less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence for bodily injury and property damage. It shall include contractual liability coverage for the indemnity provided under this Agreement. It shall provide that the City, its officers and employees are additional insureds but only with respect to the Company's services to be provided under this Agreement;
 - i. Acceptable supplementary Umbrella coverage combined with Company's General Liability insurance policy must be a minimum of \$2,000,000, in order to meet the insurance coverage limits required in this Agreement; and;
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- D. **Property Insurance** if materials and supplies are furnished by the Contractor. The amount of the insurance coverage shall be the value of the materials and supplies of the completed value of improvement. Hazard or XCU (explosion, collapse, underground) insurance should be provided if any hazard exists.

There shall be no cancellation, material change, reduction of limits or intent not to renew the insurance coverage(s) without thirty (30) days written notice from the Contractor or its insurer(s) to the City. As evidence of the insurance coverages required by this Agreement, the Contractor shall furnish a current and acceptable Certificate of Insurance (COI). The certificate shall specify all of the parties who are additional insureds, and include applicable policy endorsements, the thirty (30) day cancellation clause, and the deduction or retention level. The Contractor shall be financially responsible for all pertinent deductibles, self-insured retentions, and/or self-insurance.

11. SUBCONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY.

The Contractor must verify responsibility criteria for each first tier subcontractor, and a subcontractor of any tier that hires other subcontractors must verify responsibility criteria for each of its subcontractors. Verification shall include that each subcontractor, at the time of subcontract execution, meets the responsibility criteria listed in RCW 39.04.350(1) and possesses an electrical contractor license, if required by chapter 19.28 RCW, or an elevator contractor license, if required by chapter 70.87 RCW.

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The Contractor is an independent Contractor. This Agreement does not intend the Contractor to act as a City employee. The City has neither direct nor immediate control over the Contractor nor the right to control the manner or means by which the Contractor works. Neither the Contractor nor any Contractor employee shall be an employee of the City. This Agreement prohibits the Contractor to act as an agent or legal representative of the City. The Contractor is not granted express or implied rights or authority to assume or create any obligation or responsibility for or in the name of the City, or to bind the City. The City is not liable for or obligated to pay sick leave, vacation pay, or any other benefit of employment, nor to pay social security or other tax that may arise from employment. The Contractor shall pay all income and other taxes as due.

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The Contractor shall not assign or subcontract its obligations under this Agreement without the City's written consent, which may be granted or withheld in the City's sole discretion. Any subcontract made by the Contractor shall incorporate by reference this Agreement, except as otherwise provided. The Contractor shall ensure that all subcontractors comply with the obligations and requirements of the subcontract. The City's consent to any assignment or subcontract does not release the Contractor from liability or any obligation within this Agreement, whether before or after City consent, assignment or subcontract.

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Either party may terminate this Agreement, with or without cause, by ten (10) days written notice to the other party. In the event of such termination, the City shall pay the Contractor for all work previously authorized and performed prior to the termination date.

15. STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE.

The standard of performance applicable to Contractor's services will be the degree of skill and diligence normally employed by professional contractors in the region performing the same or similar Contracting services at the time the work under this Agreement are performed.

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No officer or employee of the City of Spokane, having the power or duty to perform an official act or action related to this Agreement shall have or acquire any interest in the Agreement, or have solicited, accepted or granted a present or future gift, favor, service or other thing of value from or to any person involved in this Agreement.

17. CONSTRUAL.

The Contractor acknowledges receipt of a copy of the Agreement documents and agrees to comply with them. The silence or omission in the Agreement documents concerning any detail required for the proper execution and completion of the work means that only the best general practice is to prevail and that only material and workmanship of the best quality are to be used. This Contract shall be construed neither in favor of nor against either party.

18. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION.

The Contractor has provided its certification that it is in compliance with and shall not contract with individuals or organizations which are debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible from participation in Federal Assistance Programs under Executive Order 12549 and "Debarment and Suspension", codified at 29 CFR part 98

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The Contractor acknowledges that it has visited the site of the work, has examined it, and is qualified to perform the work required by this Agreement.

The Contractor guarantees and warranties all work, labor and materials under this Agreement for two (2) years following final acceptance. If any unsatisfactory condition or defect develops within that time, the Contractor will immediately place the work in a condition satisfactory to the City and repair all damage caused by the condition or defect. The Contractor will repair or restore to the City's satisfaction, in accordance with the contract documents and at its expense, all property damaged by his performance under this Agreement. This warranty is in addition to any manufacturers' or other warranty in the Agreement documents.

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and are available to the public for viewing via the City Clerk's Records (online) or a valid Public Records Request (PRR).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, in consideration of the terms, conditions and covenants contained, or attached and incorporated and made a part, the parties have executed this Agreement by having legally-binding representatives affix their signatures below.

BLUEBIRD TREE CARE, INC.

CITY OF SPOKANE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

By _____
Signature Date

By _____
Signature Date

Type or Print Name

Type or Print Name

Title

Title

Attest:

Approved as to form:

City Clerk

Assistant City Attorney

Attachments that are part of this Agreement:

- Exhibit A – Debarment Certification
- Exhibit B - Certification of Compliance with Wage Payment Statutes
- Exhibit C – Contractor's Response to ITB

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EXHIBIT A

**CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION,
INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION**

1. The undersigned (i.e., signatory for the Subrecipient / Contractor / Consultant) certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:
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2. The undersigned agrees by signing this contract that it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction.

3. The undersigned further agrees by signing this contract that it will include the following clause, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions:

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions

1. The lower tier contractor certified, by signing this contract that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency.

2. Where the lower tier contractor is unable to certify to any of the statements in this contract, such contractor shall attach an explanation to this contract.

4. I understand that a false statement of this certification may be grounds for termination of the contract.

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Begin/end dates	Begins: 03/10/2025	Ends: 03/10/2027	<input type="checkbox"/> 06/01/2525
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Approvals/signatures outside Parks: <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No If so, who/what department, agency or company: Delk Management, LLC Name: Rob Saty Email address: rob@delkmanagement.com Phone: 509-863-2922			
Distribution: Parks – Accounting Katie Kosanke Parks – Sarah Deatrich Garrett Jones Requester: Amber Ramirez Grant Management Department/Name:			
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PUBLIC WORKS AGREEMENT

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, in consideration of the terms, conditions and covenants contained, or attached and incorporated and made a part, the parties have executed this Agreement by having legally-binding representatives affix their signatures below.

DELK MANAGEMENT, LLC

CITY OF SPOKANE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

By _____
Signature Date

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Type or Print Name

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Attest:

Approved as to form:

City Clerk

Assistant City Attorney

Attachments that are part of this Agreement:

- Exhibit A – Debarment Certification
- Exhibit B - Certification of Compliance with Wage Payment Statutes
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EXHIBIT A

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Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions

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<hr/> Name of Subrecipient / Contractor / Consultant (Type or Print)	<hr/> Program Title (Type or Print)
<hr/> Name of Certifying Official (Type or Print)	<hr/> Signature
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Certification of Compliance with Wage Payment Statutes and Washington Department of Labor and Industries Training Requirement

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I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

Bidder's Business Name

Signature of Authorized Official*

Printed Name

Title

Date

City

State

Check One:

Sole Proprietorship Partnership Joint Venture Corporation
State of Incorporation, or if not a corporation, State where business entity was formed:

If a co-partnership, give firm name under which business is transacted:

** If a corporation, proposal must be executed in the corporate name by the president or vice-president (or any other corporate officer accompanied by evidence of authority to sign). If a co-partnership, proposal must be executed by a partner.*

Spokane Park Board

Briefing Paper



Committee	UFTC	Committee meeting date: 3/4/2025	
Requester	Amber Ramirez	Phone number: 509-363-5499	
Type of agenda item	<input type="radio"/> Consent <input type="radio"/> Discussion <input type="radio"/> Information <input checked="" type="radio"/> Action		
Type of contract/agreement	<input checked="" type="radio"/> New <input type="radio"/> Renewal/ext. <input type="radio"/> Lease <input type="radio"/> Amendment/change order <input type="radio"/> Other		
City Clerks file (OPR or policy #)			
Master Plan Goal, Objective, Strategy <small>(Click HERE for link to the adopted plan)</small>	Goal A, Obj. 2	Master Plan Priority Tier: First <small>(pg. 171-175)</small>	
Item title: (Use exact language noted on the agenda)	The F.A. Bartlett Tree Expert Company -Tree Equity Spokane - On Call/As Needed Tree Pruning - NTE \$400,000, contingent upon available funding		
Begin/end dates	Begins: 03/10/2025	Ends: 03/10/2027	<input type="checkbox"/> 06/01/2525
Background/history: On September 2023, the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced a \$6 million grant award to Spokane Urban Forestry. It will be used in part to hire multiple qualified contractors to perform high needs pruning across 15 neighborhoods included in the project boundary in areas of Spokane identified as overburdened and underserved. Work will occur in public right-of-ways, City properties and school properties.			
Motion wording: Motion to approve The F.A. Bartlett Tree Expert Company -Tree Equity Spokane - On Call/As Needed Tree Pruning - NTE \$400,000, contingent upon available funding			
Approvals/signatures outside Parks: <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No If so, who/what department, agency or company: The F.A. Bartlett Tree Expert Company Name: Joe Zubaly Email address: jzubaly@Bartlett.com Phone: 208-640-6401			
Distribution: Parks – Accounting Katie Kosanke Parks – Sarah Deatrich Garrett Jones Requester: Amber Ramirez Grant Management Department/Name:			
Fiscal impact: <input type="radio"/> Expenditure <input type="radio"/> Revenue Amount: Budget code: 400,000 Expense: 1390-95855-76903-54201 400,000 Revenue: 1390-95855-76903-33310			
Vendor: <input checked="" type="radio"/> Existing vendor <input type="radio"/> New vendor Supporting documents: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Quotes/solicitation (RFP, RFQ, RFB) <input type="checkbox"/> W-9 (for new contractors/consultants/vendors) <input type="checkbox"/> Contractor is on the City’s A&E Roster - City of Spokane <input type="checkbox"/> ACH Forms (for new contractors/consultants/vendors) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UBI: 602-831-916 Business license expiration date: 5/31/25 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance Certificate (min. \$1 million in General Liability)			



CITY OF SPOKANE
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PUBLIC WORKS AGREEMENT

Title: TREE PRUNING – ON CALL – AS NEEDED

This Agreement is made and entered into by and between the **CITY OF SPOKANE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT** as (“City”), a Washington municipal corporation, and **THE F.A. BARTLETT TREE EXPERT COMPANY**, whose address is 11120 East Empire Avenue, Suite No. 3, Spokane Valley, Washington 99206 as (“Contractor”), individually hereafter referenced as a “party”, and together as the “parties”.

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Agreement is to provide On-Call, As-Needed Tree Pruning Services for the City of Spokane Parks and Recreation Department; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor was selected through PW ITB 6222-24 issued by the City of Spokane.

WHEREAS, funding for this Agreement is from the FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AWARD OF DOMESTIC GRANT 24-DG-11062765-157; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the terms, conditions, covenants and performance of the Scope of Work contained herein, the City and Contractor mutually agree as follows:

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There shall be no cancellation, material change, reduction of limits or intent not to renew the insurance coverage(s) without thirty (30) days written notice from the Contractor or its insurer(s) to the City. As evidence of the insurance coverages required by this Agreement, the Contractor shall furnish a current and acceptable Certificate of Insurance (COI). The certificate shall specify all of the parties who are additional insureds, and include applicable policy endorsements, the thirty (30) day cancellation clause, and the deduction or retention level. The Contractor shall be financially responsible for all pertinent deductibles, self-insured retentions, and/or self-insurance.

11. SUBCONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY.

The Contractor must verify responsibility criteria for each first tier subcontractor, and a subcontractor of any tier that hires other subcontractors must verify responsibility criteria for each of its subcontractors. Verification shall include that each subcontractor, at the time of subcontract execution, meets the responsibility criteria listed in RCW 39.04.350(1) and possesses an electrical contractor license, if required by chapter 19.28 RCW, or an elevator contractor license, if required by chapter 70.87 RCW.

12. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR.

The Contractor is an independent Contractor. This Agreement does not intend the Contractor to act as a City employee. The City has neither direct nor immediate control over the Contractor nor the right to control the manner or means by which the Contractor works. Neither the Contractor nor any Contractor employee shall be an employee of the City. This Agreement prohibits the Contractor to act as an agent or legal representative of the City. The Contractor is not granted express or implied rights or authority to assume or create any obligation or responsibility for or in the name of the City, or to bind the City. The City is not liable for or obligated to pay sick leave, vacation pay, or any other benefit of employment, nor to pay social security or other tax that may arise from employment. The Contractor shall pay all income and other taxes as due.

13. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTING.

The Contractor shall not assign or subcontract its obligations under this Agreement without the City's written consent, which may be granted or withheld in the City's sole discretion. Any subcontract made by the Contractor shall incorporate by reference this Agreement, except as otherwise provided. The Contractor shall ensure that all subcontractors comply with the obligations and requirements of the subcontract. The City's consent to any assignment or subcontract does not release the Contractor from liability or any obligation within this Agreement, whether before or after City consent, assignment or subcontract.

14. TERMINATION.

Either party may terminate this Agreement, with or without cause, by ten (10) days written notice to the other party. In the event of such termination, the City shall pay the Contractor for all work previously authorized and performed prior to the termination date.

15. STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE.

The standard of performance applicable to Contractor's services will be the degree of skill and diligence normally employed by professional contractors in the region performing the same or similar Contracting services at the time the work under this Agreement are performed.

16. ANTI KICK-BACK.

No officer or employee of the City of Spokane, having the power or duty to perform an official act or action related to this Agreement shall have or acquire any interest in the Agreement, or have solicited, accepted or granted a present or future gift, favor, service or other thing of value from or to any person involved in this Agreement.

17. CONSTRUAL.

The Contractor acknowledges receipt of a copy of the Agreement documents and agrees to comply with them. The silence or omission in the Agreement documents concerning any detail required for the proper execution and completion of the work means that only the best general practice is to prevail and that only material and workmanship of the best quality are to be used. This Contract shall be construed neither in favor of nor against either party.

18. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION.

The Contractor has provided its certification that it is in compliance with and shall not contract with individuals or organizations which are debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible from participation in Federal Assistance Programs under Executive Order 12549 and "Debarment and Suspension", codified at 29 CFR part 98

19. CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND WARRANTY.

The Contractor acknowledges that it has visited the site of the work, has examined it, and is qualified to perform the work required by this Agreement.

The Contractor guarantees and warranties all work, labor and materials under this Agreement for two (2) years following final acceptance. If any unsatisfactory condition or defect develops within that time, the Contractor will immediately place the work in a condition satisfactory to the City and repair all damage caused by the condition or defect. The Contractor will repair or restore to the City's satisfaction, in accordance with the contract documents and at its expense, all property damaged by his performance under this Agreement. This warranty is in addition to any manufacturers' or other warranty in the Agreement documents.

20. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

- A. **Amendments/Modifications:** The City may modify this Agreement and order changes in the work whenever necessary or advisable. The Contractor will accept modifications when ordered in writing by the City, and the Agreement time and compensation will be adjusted accordingly.
- B. The Contractor, at no expense to the City, shall comply with all laws of the United States and Washington, the Charter and ordinances of the City of Spokane; and rules, regulations, orders and directives of their administrative agencies and officers.
- C. This Agreement shall be construed and interpreted under the laws of Washington. The venue of any action brought shall be in a court of competent jurisdiction, located in Spokane County, Washington.
- D. **Captions:** The titles of sections or subsections are for convenience only and do not define or limit the contents.
- E. **Severability:** If any term or provision is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected, and each term and provision shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- F. **Waiver:** No covenant, term or condition or the breach shall be deemed waived, except by written consent of the party against whom the waiver is claimed, and any waiver of the breach of any covenant, term or condition shall not be deemed a waiver of any preceding or succeeding breach of the same or any other covenant, term of condition. Neither the acceptance by the City of any performance by the Contractor after the time the same shall have become due nor payment to the Contractor for any portion of the Work shall constitute a waiver by the City of the breach or default of any covenant, term or condition unless otherwise expressly agreed to by the City in writing.
- G. **Entire Agreement:** This document along with any exhibits and all attachments, and subsequently issued addenda, comprises the entire agreement between the City and the Contractor. If conflict occurs between Agreement documents and applicable laws, codes, ordinances or regulations, the most stringent or legally binding requirement shall govern and be considered a part of this Agreement to afford the City the maximum benefits.
- H. **No personal liability:** No officer, agent or authorized employee of the City shall be personally responsible for any liability arising under this Agreement, whether expressed or implied, nor for any statement or representation made or in any connection with this Agreement.
- I. Under Washington State Law (reference RCW Chapter 42.56, the *Public Records Act* [PRA]) all materials received or created by the City of Spokane are **public records**

and are available to the public for viewing via the City Clerk's Records (online) or a valid Public Records Request (PRR).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, in consideration of the terms, conditions and covenants contained, or attached and incorporated and made a part, the parties have executed this Agreement by having legally-binding representatives affix their signatures below.

THE F.A. BARTLETT TREE EXPERT COMPANY

CITY OF SPOKANE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

By _____
Signature Date

By _____
Signature Date

Type or Print Name

Type or Print Name

Title

Title

Attest:

Approved as to form:

City Clerk

Assistant City Attorney

Attachments that are part of this Agreement:

- Exhibit A – Debarment Certification
- Exhibit B - Certification of Compliance with Wage Payment Statutes
- Exhibit C – Contractor's Response to ITB

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EXHIBIT A

**CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION,
INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION**

1. The undersigned (i.e., signatory for the Subrecipient / Contractor / Consultant) certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:
 - a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal department or agency;
 - b. Have not within a three-year period preceding this contract been convicted or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, receiving stolen property, making false claims, or obstruction of justice;
 - c. Are not presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and,
 - d. Have not within a three-year period preceding this contract had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

2. The undersigned agrees by signing this contract that it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction.

3. The undersigned further agrees by signing this contract that it will include the following clause, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions:

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions

1. The lower tier contractor certifies, by signing this contract that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency.

2. Where the lower tier contractor is unable to certify to any of the statements in this contract, such contractor shall attach an explanation to this contract.

4. I understand that a false statement of this certification may be grounds for termination of the contract.

<hr/> Name of Subrecipient / Contractor / Consultant (Type or Print)	<hr/> Program Title (Type or Print)
<hr/> Name of Certifying Official (Type or Print)	<hr/> Signature
<hr/> Title of Certifying Official (Type or Print)	<hr/> Date (Type or Print)



Certification of Compliance with Wage Payment Statutes and Washington Department of Labor and Industries Training Requirement

The bidder hereby certifies that, within the three-year period immediately preceding the bid solicitation date (_____), the bidder is not a "willful" violator, as defined in RCW 49.48.082, of any provision of chapters 49.46, 49.48, or 49.52 RCW, as determined by a final and binding citation and notice of assessment issued by the Department of Labor and Industries or through a civil judgment entered by a court of limited or general jurisdiction. As of July 1, 2019, have fulfilled the Department of Labor and Industries' Public Works and Prevailing Wage Training Requirement before bidding and/or performing work on public works projects under RCW 39.04.350 and RCW 39.06.020 by either of the following:

- 1) Received training on the requirements related to public works and prevailing wage under chapter RCW 39.04.350 and chapter 39.12; or
- 2) Be certified exempt by the Department of Labor and Industries by having completed three or more public work projects and have a had a valid business license in Washington for three or more years.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

Bidder's Business Name

Signature of Authorized Official*

Printed Name

Title

Date

City

State

Check One:

Sole Proprietorship Partnership Joint Venture Corporation
State of Incorporation, or if not a corporation, State where business entity was formed:

If a co-partnership, give firm name under which business is transacted:

** If a corporation, proposal must be executed in the corporate name by the president or vice-president (or any other corporate officer accompanied by evidence of authority to sign). If a co-partnership, proposal must be executed by a partner.*

Tree Equity Spokane

IRA/USDA/USFS Urban and Community Grant *Update*

Urban Forestry Committees March 4, 2025



IRA Urban and Community Forestry Grant

1+ Billion in Nationwide Investments

Spokane Urban Forestry Award Amount-
\$6,000,000

- ❖ Tree Maintenance, Tree Planting, Education & Outreach
 - ❖ Opportunity to send help, not Notices
 - ❖ Grant Requirement
 - ▶ All work performed in disadvantaged communities that are marginalized, underserved, and overburdened by pollution and underinvestment, as shown in boundary
 - ❖ Within the boundaries of the City of Spokane on City properties
 - ▶ Public right-of-way, parks & schools
- Timeline: Project Launch February 2024 - 2029
Year 1: Dead tree removals prioritized
Years 2-5: Pruning emphasized
Years 1-5: Planting new trees (continuous)






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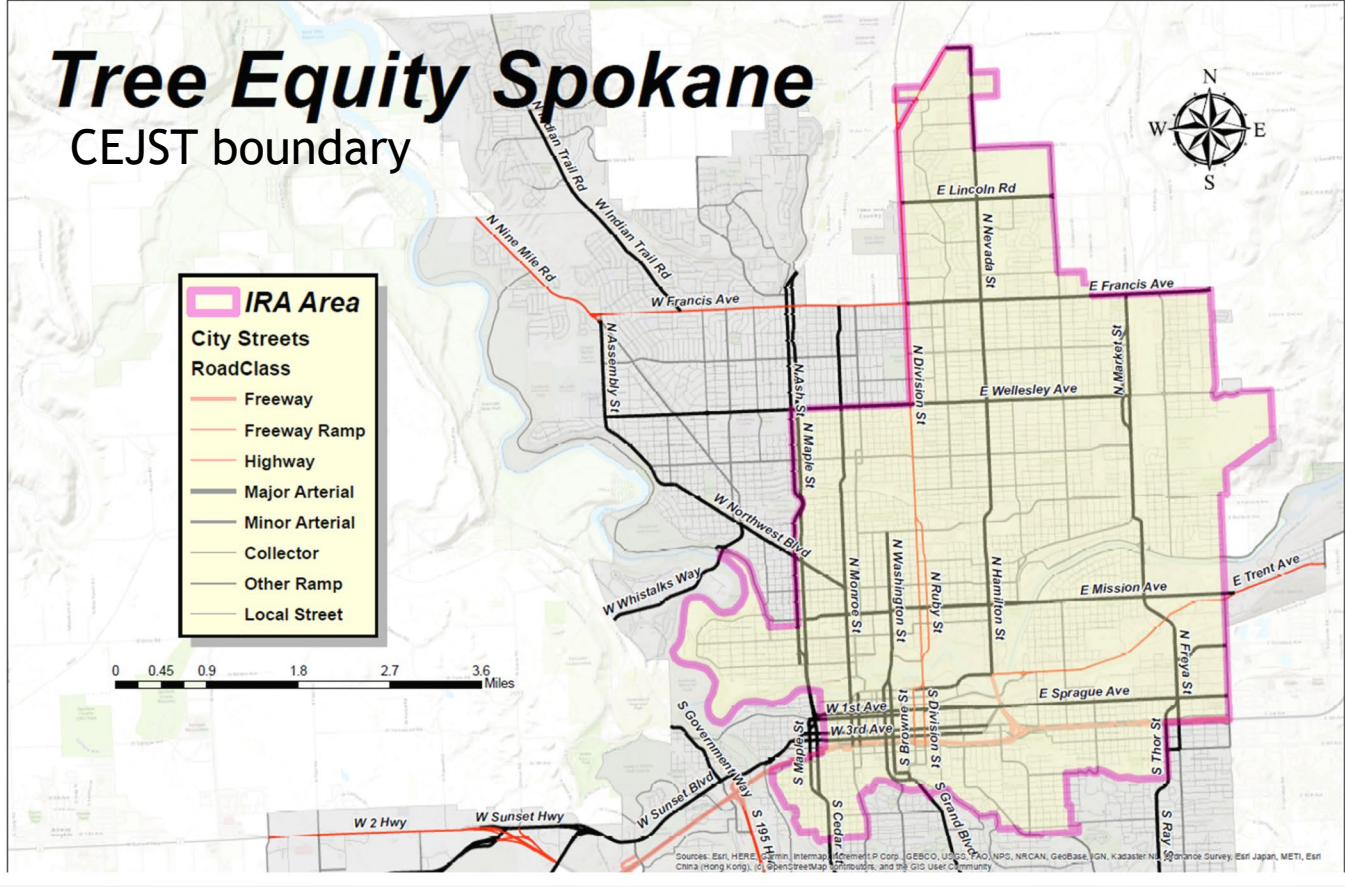
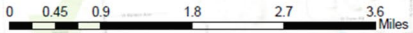
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 **IRA Area**

City Streets

RoadClass

-  Freeway
-  Freeway Ramp
-  Highway
-  Major Arterial
-  Minor Arterial
-  Collector
-  Other Ramp
-  Local Street



Sources: Esri, HERE, DeLorme, Intermap, Swisshelm P Corp., GEBCO, United-Geo, NPS, NRCAN, Geobase, IGN, Kadaster NL, Ordnance Survey, Esri Japan, METI, Esri China (Hong Kong), Swisstopo, Mapbox, and the GIS User Community.

Progress Update Summary - **Program PAUSED**

Education and Outreach:

- ❖ Website SpokaneParks.org/TreeEquity with project information - complete
- ❖ 5 neighborhood council meetings attended, sharing info about project
- ❖ Neighborhood Notifications
- ❖ Removal letters complete - work expected to be completed within 6 months
- ❖ Informational brochures, vehicle magnets
- ❖ Seedling programs planning in progress

Foundational Items:

- ❖ Hired Urban Forester to oversee the project
- ❖ Established contract for pass-through sub-award for education and outreach with TLC
- ❖ Bid processes - request for bids, pre-bid meetings
 - ❖ 3 planting contracts in place (locked in unit pricing) Fall 24' planting complete (147 trees)
 - ❖ 3 Removal contracts in place (locked in unit pricing)
 - ❖ 4 Pruning contracts still moving forward (UFTC then to Park Board)
- ❖ Work in Progress - Removals (Approx 100/400 complete)
 - ❖ Complete: East Central, & Hillyard
 - ❖ In progress (now paused): Chief Garry, Logan, Shiloh Hills, Nevada Heights, Bemiss & Riverside
 - ❖ Not started: Lincoln Heights, Minnehaha, Cliff-Cannon, West Central, Emerson-Garfield, Whitman, North Hill & Rockwood



Opportunities for citizen engagement:

- ❖ Volunteer tree planters
- ❖ Education and outreach to assist in finding planting locations - where abutting property owners want trees and commit to providing care.
- ❖ Backup plan should be considered - we are prepared to bring ideas for solutions
 - ❖ Impacts to citizens, hired tree services, urban forester hired, increased risk / public safety concerns

Plan for a long-term sustainable urban forestry program

Trees that are cared for provide important environmental, social, economic and human health benefits for longer, are safer street side and are more resilient after storm events.

- ❖ Continued conversations and public engagement regarding sustainability and possible further investments for the long-term success
- ❖ Seek consistent funding source (outside of Parks should be considered)
- ❖ Continued grants for planting (smaller scale) likely will remain possible through various funding sources

History

- ❖ In 2011 a stormwater tree fee was proposed which would have provided funding for some assistance of street trees (an in-house street tree crew plus funding for contract items). It did not pass by just 1 vote.
- ❖ Extensive support through the City's Comprehensive Plan, Sustainability Action Plan local studies
- ❖ Other cities that provide support/assistance: Boise, Post Falls, Helena, Snoqualmie, Eugene

Thank you!

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