

# City of Rochester Hills AGENDA SUMMARY FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2013-0034

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Scott Cope, Director of Building/Ordinance Compliance

Bob White, Supervisor of Ordinance Compliance

**DATE:** January 11, 2013

**SUBJECT:** Weed Mowing/Lawn Maintenance for Ordinance Compliance

#### **REOUEST:**

City Council is requested to authorize a blanket purchase order for weed mowing and lawn maintenance for Ordinance compliance for unoccupied lots to Brantley Development LLC, Westland, Michigan in the amount not-to-exceed \$35,000.00 through December 31, 2013, and a blanket purchase order to Universal Lawn Care Inc., Shelby Township, Michigan for weed mowing and lawn maintenance for Ordinance compliance for occupied lots in the amount not-to-exceed \$10,000.00 through December 31, 2013.

### **REASON FOR PURCHASE:**

City Ordinance Section 84-17 – Weed Control requires owners and occupants of land to cut or destroy all noxious weeds growing on the property. In the event the property owner fails to maintain the property and heed warnings from the Ordinance Compliance staff, the City is allowed to enter upon the property to cut grass and weeds.

Request for Proposals for weed mowing of unoccupied lots were solicited and evaluated by Ordinance Compliance Staff of the Building Department with award to Brantley Development LLC, Westland, Michigan in 2011. Award was based on best value to the City in terms of quality of work, past experience with ordinance compliance work in other communities, capacity of contractor and equipment and cost proposal. The Building Department wishes to exercise its contractual option to renew for services in 2013.

Request for Proposals for weed mowing of occupied lots were solicited and evaluated by Ordinance Compliance Staff of the Building Department with award to Universal Lawn Care Inc., Shelby Township, Michigan in 2011. Award was based on best value to the City in terms of quality of work, prior experience with Rochester Hills ordinance compliance and cost proposal. The Building Department wishes to exercise its contractual option to renew for services in 2013.

These services require good judgment on the part of the contractor, attention to details and close coordination with Ordinance Compliance staff. For unoccupied lots, besides mowing, the contractor is responsible for identification of violations and providing documentation, including measurements and photographs. For occupied lots, besides mowing, the contractor is responsible for assisting in identifying violations and providing documentation, including measurements and photographs. Both contractors have worked extremely well with the City, providing exemplary services with reasonable pricing.

The costs for these services are billed to the property owner or ultimately added to property taxes.

## **PROCESS:**

**Vendor Name and Address:** 

Brantley Development LLC 30235 Marshall Court Westland, Michigan 48186 Universal Lawn Care, Inc. PO Box 183110 Shelby Township, Michigan 48318-3110

Reason for Selection:

Best Value

Method of Purchase:

Contract/Blanket Purchase Order

## **BUDGET:**

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Fund Name	Department Account No	Account No. Description	Budget Amount	Cost	Remaining Budget
Weed Control	535.807000	Contractual Services	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$0
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#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby authorizes a blanket purchase order for weed mowing and lawn maintenance for Ordinance compliance for unoccupied lots to Brantley Development LLC, Westland, Michigan in the amount not-to-exceed \$35,000.00 through December 31, 2013, and a blanket purchase order to Universal Lawn Care Inc., Shelby Township, Michigan for weed mowing and lawn maintenance for Ordinance compliance for occupied lots in the amount not-to-exceed \$10,000.00 through December 31, 2013 and further authorizes the Mayor to execute contracts on behalf of the City.

APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
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