

Memorandum



To: Dale Berman, Village President & Board of Trustees
Cc: Steven Bosco, Village Administrator
From: John Laskowski, Public Works Director
Date: August 15, 2018
Re: Award of Bid for 2018 Tree Replacement Program

This year the Village of North Aurora revised its specifications for the tree replacement program. The project specifications were amended to promote diversity among the parkway trees, identify inspection requirements, and clarify the planting procedures. There are 150 trees included in this year's tree planting program.

The project was advertised on the website and in the newspaper on July 27, 2018. On August 15th, the Village received 4 bids for the annual tree replacement program. Table 1 below illustrates the results of the bid opening. A detailed bid tabulation is attached to this memorandum.

Table 1. Bid Results

No.	Company	Bid
1	Americana Landscape Group, Inc.	\$ 31,350.00
2	Acres Group	\$ 31,915.00
3	The Fields on Caton Farm, Inc.	\$ 33,625.00
4	Ramiro Guzman Landscaping	\$ 45,750.00

Tree replacement is budgeted at \$60,000 from the General Fund from the Tree Service line item, account number 01.445.4532. The 2018 bid was very competitive with a difference of only \$565 among the the top two bidders. Americana Landscape Group, Inc., located in Elgin, Illinois provided the lowest bid in the amount of \$31,350.00. This is \$28,650.00 under budget. Americana Landscape Group, Inc. has not worked in town before however they have received favorable references from the Village of Lake In The Hills, Hanover Park, and Hawthorne Woods. It is the staff recommendation to award the bid to Americana Landscape Group, Inc. in an amount of \$31,350.00.