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September 9, 2015

TO: BOARD OF ACQUISITION AND CONTRACT

FROM: THOMAS J. LAURO, P.E.
COMMISSIONER

RE: Resolution to Award to the Low Bidder

CONTRACT NO. EF-1411-Rev-1.
REMOVAL AND MAINTENANCE OF TREES AND BRUSH
WESTCHESTER COUNTY SEWER AND WATER DISTRICTS
VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT
WESTCHESTER COUNTY, NEW YORK

CONTRACTOR: Rockland Tree Experts d/b/a Wickes Arborists
AMOUNT: \$125,784.00

On September 2, 2015, three (3) bids were received and opened for Contract No. EF-1411-Rev-1. This contract is for a term of two (2) years for the Removal and Maintenance of Trees and Brush, Westchester County Sewer and Water Districts, Various Locations Throughout Westchester County, New York.

The bids were reviewed by the Department and determined that Rockland Tree Experts d/b/a Wickes Arborists submitted the low bid in the amount of \$125,784.00.

The low bidder has been investigated and found that:

has performed satisfactory work in the past for the County.

Past experience has been investigated and found satisfactory.

Funds for this project are available in the:

Capital Budget

MNRR

Operating Budgets

The goal and/or objective of this contract is to remove trees and excess brush and undergrowth where trees have grown over WCDEF pipelines, and at various WCDEF facilities where the

growth of these trees pose a danger to these facilities. In addition, where necessary and appropriate, replacement trees will be planted to offset the loss of trees as determined by the County Parks Board and/or Parks Department. This contract is deemed to fulfill a public purpose as the services provided under this Contract promotes the public health and welfare by insuring proper operation of the County's Sewer and Water District facilities and assets. Removal of these trees will allow for continued safe operation of WDCEF pipelines and facilities, and are a preventative measure to protect these pipeline and facilities from damage should the trees topple over uncontrolled on their own. The response and work are monitored by representatives of the department throughout the contract to make sure all applicable regulations, safety precautions and codes regarding the protection of persons and property are adhered to and that a cost-effective project is the end product.

It is recommended that Contract No. EF-1411-Rev. be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, Rockland Tree Experts d/b/a Wickes Arborists in the amount of \$125,784.00 subject to appropriations.

A proposed form of Resolution is attached.

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT 03/24/2015 JOAN MCCIRBY SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Contract No. EF-1411-Rev-1.

Upon communication from the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Facilities, be it hereby

RESOLVED, That Contract No. EF-1411-Rev-1. for Removal and Maintenance of Trees and Brush, Westchester County Sewer and Water Districts, Various Locations Throughout Westchester County, New York, is awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, Rockland Tree Experts d/b/a Wickes Arborists, 11 McNamara Road, Spring Valley, NY 10977, in the amount \$125,784.00 for a term of two (2) years; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this Agreement is subject to County appropriations; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this Agreement subject to further financial analysis of the impact of any New York State Budget (the "State Budget") proposed and adopted during the term of this Agreement. The County shall retain the right, upon the occurrence of any release by the Governor of a proposed State Budget and/or the adoption of a State Budget or any amendments thereto, and for a reasonable period of time after such release(s) or adoption(s), to conduct analysis, the County shall retain the right to either terminate this Agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to the Contractor, then the Contractor shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon reasonable prior written notice; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Executive or his authorized designee is hereby authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents necessary or appropriate to effectuate the purposes hereof.

Account to be Charged/Credited

Year	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars
2015	221	60	0110	4380		\$15,723.00
2016	221	60	0110	4380		\$62,892.00
2017	221	60	0110	4380		\$47,169.00

Budget Funding Year(s) 2015-2017 **Start Date** 10/01/2015 **End Date** 09/30/2017

(must match resolution)

Funding Source

\$125,784.00
(must match resolution)

TJL/MP/mp

Tax Dollars 100%
State Aid _____
Federal Aid _____
Other _____