



Date: September 23, 1998

TO: Board Members - Parks and Recreation
FROM: General Manager - Parks and Recreation
SUBJECT: SUPPLY OF ORNAMENTAL TREES

RECOMMENDATION

- A. THAT the Board approve the award of Tender T98-14, for the purchase of ornamental trees, in the amount of \$288,017.50 (plus taxes) to low bidders as outlined in this report.**
- B. THAT no rights shall arise hereby, and none shall arise until the execution of the contemplated contract. The Board may rescind this resolution at any time up to the execution of the contemplated contract.**

POLICY

Contracts in excess of \$200,000 are awarded by the Board.

BACKGROUND

The Street Tree Section is mandated to plant trees on City boulevards and medians. In this coming season, there will be about 3600 street trees planted. Trees are planted under a capital funded program in areas that are currently identified as being tree or park deficient, or on streets containing available planting sites. An operating account pays to provide replacements for trees that have died. In addition, the City Engineering Department contracts the services of the Park Board in order to plant trees as part of their Local Improvement, Commercial Sidewalk Replacement, and Greenways programs.

SUMMARY

Seven bids were received and opened in public at 3:00 p.m., September 2, 1998. All bids recommended for award are either low bid, or low bid meeting specifications. Eligible bids were inspected by Arboriculture staff to ensure compliance with the specifications of the tender.

Following is a listing of items recommended to be awarded to each supplier. The value of award does not include any taxes.

SUPPLIER	ITEM NUMBERS	VALUE OF AWARD	UNION/OPEN SHOP
Cannor Nurseries Ltd.	Part A - Items 4a, 5b, 8, 13b, 15a(1), 17a, 17b, 18b, 21a, 23a, 23b, 24a, 24b, 27, 32 Part B - Items 6, 7, 9, 13, 14, 15(S), 18, 23, 29, 30	\$120,542,50	OPEN SHOP
Specimen Trees Wholesale Nurseries Ltd.	Part A - 2a, 2b, 4b, 5a, 6b, 11, 12, 13a, 14(1), 16a, 16b, 20, 21b, 31 Part B - Items 8, 12, 15, 25, 26, 27b, 28, 35, 39	\$103,611.00	OPEN SHOP
Golden Eagle Tree Farm	Part A - 1, 3 (s),7, 9, 15a(2), 15b(2), 19, 22, 30 Part B - Items 17,	\$46,034.00	OPEN SHOP
East Richmond Nurseries	Part A - Items 10, 14(1), 14(2) Part B - Items 36A, 36b, 38	\$9,120.00	OPEN SHOP
Reimers Nurseries Ltd.	Part A - Item 18A	\$4,725.00	OPEN SHOP
Argyle Nursery	Part B - Items 19, 28	\$3,985.00	OPEN SHOP

Recommendation for award is to the low bidders, or low bidders meeting specifications as outlined above. Details are available in the Purchasing Managers office.

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