

Legislation Text

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Tree Banding for Cankerworms

Action:

Approve contracts with the following companies for tree banding services for a term of three years in amounts not to exceed:

- **Arboguard Inc., Area 1 (\$105,000),**
- **The Davey Tree Expert Company, Area 2 (\$97,461),**
- **Mr. Clean Detail Lawn and Landscaping, Area 3 (\$115,200),**
- **Midwood Tree Banding, LLC, Area 4 (\$130,410),**
- **Midwood Tree Banding, LLC, Area 5 (\$109,890), and**
- **Carolina Tree Banding, Area 6 (\$63,000).**

Staff Resource(s):

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Explanation

- These contracts will provide tree banding and removal of old bands to trap cankerworms (approximately 5,600 trees in six areas).
 - Tree banding is an effective method to reduce cankerworm infestations in the spring, thus preserving the health of trees which reduces the potential for tree failure.
 - Bands are placed around the tree trunks in the fall to trap emerging moths before they reach the canopy.
- On July 9, 2018, the City issued a Request for Proposals (RFP); 13 proposals were received.
- These six firms best meet the City's needs in terms of qualifications, experience, cost, and responsiveness to RFP requirements.
- Tree banding brochures are distributed each year with information about how to band a tree, the effect tree banding has on cankerworms, and how citizens can help control cankerworms.
- City staff also meets with civic groups and clubs as a part of the outreach effort, which begins in July.
- Cankerworm tree banding supports focus areas and initiatives outlined in City Council's Urban Forest Master Plan, adopted September 25, 2017.
- Estimated contract expenditures for all contracts are \$620,961 over the three year term.

Arboguard Inc., Area #1 (Council District 1)

- Myers Park/Freedom Park area (Queens Road West, Henley Place, Beverly Drive)
- This contract includes tree banding services and the removal of old bands on approximately 1,000 willow oak trees.

The Davey Tree Expert Company, Area #2 (Council District 1)

- Dilworth/Sedgefield/Colony Road (Picardy Place, Dorchester Place, Berkeley Avenue)
- This contract is for tree banding and the removal of old bands on approximately 660 willow oak trees.

Mr. Clean Detail Lawn and Landscaping, Area #3 (Council Districts 1, 5, and 6)

- Eastover/Cotswold/Grier Heights/Sherwood Forest, Oakhurst (Colville Road, Gene Avenue, Craig Avenue)
- This contract is for tree banding and the removal of old bands on approximately 1,200 willow oak

trees.

Midwood Tree Banding, LLC, Area #4 (Council District 1)

- Chantilly/Plaza Midwood/Hickory Grove/Commonwealth-Morningside (Shenandoah Avenue, Progress Lane, Commonwealth Avenue)
- This contract is for tree banding and the removal of old bands on approximately 1,050 willow oak trees.

Midwood Tree Banding, LLC, Area #5 (Council District 2 and 3)

- Wesley Heights, Villa Heights, Camp Greene, Wilmore, Double Oaks (Thomas Avenue, Walnut Avenue, Camp Greene Street)
- This contract is for tree banding and the removal of old bands on approximately 1,100 willow oak trees.

Carolina Tree Banding, Area #6 (Council Districts 4, 6, and 7)

- This section includes all neighborhoods around the perimeter of the City that are not covered above in Areas 1 through 5 (Lansdowne Road, Harris at Idlewild Road North, Shandon Court, Davis Lake Parkway, Baylor Drive)
- This contract is for tree banding and the removal of old bands on approximately 600 willow oak trees.

Charlotte Business INclusion

No subcontracting goals were established for these service contracts because there are no opportunities (Part C: Section 2.1(a) of the Charlotte Business INclusion Policy).

Fiscal Note

Funding: General Community Investment Plan

Attachment(s)

Map