



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, October 27, 2015

Council Session

## Item G-8

**#2015-288 - Approving Bid Award(s) for Tree Trimming Project  
2016-TT-1**

Staff Contact: Tim Luchsinger, Stacy Nonhof

# Council Agenda Memo

**From:** Timothy Luchsinger, Utilities Director  
Stacy Nonhof, Assistant Utilities Attorney

**Meeting:** October 27, 2015

**Subject:** Tree Trimming and Removal Contract 2016-TT-1

**Presenter(s):** Timothy Luchsinger, Utilities Director

## Background

The Utilities Department has approximately 600 miles of electrical transmission and distribution lines. Specifications for Contract 2016-TT-1 were prepared for trimming trees from around power lines throughout the electric service area. The work by private firms helps to maintain the proper clearances for safe operation of the electric system.

## Discussion

The department evaluated 16 areas for tree trimming across the entire Electric Service Area. The project was advertised and sent to eleven potential firms. Bids were publicly opened on October 15, 2015 and three local firms submitted prices as listed below:

Section	Leetch Tree Service, LLC	Sheffield Tree Service, Inc	B & E Tree Service, Inc
	Grand Island, NE	Grand Island, NE	Grand Island, NE
1	\$36,150.00	\$0.00	<b>\$19,500.00</b>
2	<b>\$6,700.00</b>	\$0.00	\$16,950.00
3	<b>\$9,900.00</b>	\$0.00	\$20,250.00
4	<b>\$8,750.00</b>	\$0.00	\$10,500.00
5	\$27,900.00	\$0.00	<b>\$21,000.00</b>
6	<b>\$8,700.00</b>	\$12,500.00	\$15,000.00
7	<b>\$9,850.00</b>	\$0.00	\$13,500.00
8	<b>\$15,600.00</b>	\$18,500.00	\$34,500.00
9	\$9,750.00	<b>\$7,500.00</b>	\$13,750.00
10	\$9,100.00	<b>\$8,500.00</b>	\$13,500.00
11	<b>\$8,900.00</b>	\$0.00	\$24,750.00
12	<b>\$9,750.00</b>	\$17,500.00	\$48,500.00
13	\$18,950.00	<b>\$7,500.00</b>	\$33,000.00

Section	Leetch Tree Service, LLC	Sheffield Tree Service, Inc	B & E Tree Service, Inc
14	\$18,450.00	\$0.00	\$27,500.00
15	\$26,900.00	\$0.00	\$52,500.00
16	\$43,750.00	\$0.00	\$22,500.00
Total for All Sections Bid	\$269,100.00	\$72,000.00	\$387,200.00

There were no exceptions taken by any of the bidders and they are qualified to do the contract work. All bids were evaluated and are in compliance with the specifications.

The twelve sections recommended for award total \$148,400.00. This is below the budgeted amount of \$150,000.00. Sections 4, 13, 14, and 15 will not be awarded. The attached drawing shows the areas to be trimmed by outside contractors this year.

### **Alternatives**

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Move to approve
2. Refer the issue to a Committee
3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

### **Recommendation**

It is recommended the Council award the Tree Trimming Contract 2016-TT-1, to:

- Leetch Tree Service, LLC, of Grand Island  
Sections 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 11 and 12 in the amount of \$69,400.00
- Sheffield Tree Service, Inc., of Grand Island  
Sections 9 and 10 in the amount of \$16,000.00
- B & E Tree Service, Inc., of Grand Island  
Sections 1, 5 and 16 in the amount of \$63,000.00

### **Sample Motion**

Move to award Tree Trimming Contract 2016-TT-1 to Leetch Tree Service of Grand Island, Nebraska, in the amount of \$69,400; to Sheffield Tree Service of Grand Island, Nebraska, in the amount of \$16,000.00; and to B & E Tree Service, Inc., of Grand Island, Nebraska, in the amount of \$63,000.00.



Stacy Nonhof, Purchasing Agent

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**BID OPENING**

**BID OPENING DATE:** October 15, 2015 at 2:00 pm  
**FOR:** Tree Trimming Contract 2016-TT-1  
**DEPARTMENT:** Utilities  
**ESTIMATE:** \$150,000.00  
**FUND/ACCOUNT:** 520  
**PUBLICATION DATE:** September 22, 2015  
**NO. POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** 10

**SUMMARY**

<b>Bidder:</b>	<u>Leetch Tree Service, LLC</u> Grand Island, NE	<u>Sheffield Tree Service, Inc.</u> Palmer, NE
<b>Bid Security:</b>	Western Surety Company	Western Surety Company
<b>Exceptions:</b>	None Did not acknowledge addendum.	None
<b>Bid Price:</b>		
Section 1:	\$36,150.00	No Bid
Section 2:	\$ 6,700.00	No Bid
Section 3:	\$ 9,900.00	No Bid
Section 4:	\$ 8,750.00	No Bid
Section 5:	\$27,900.00	No Bid
Section 6:	\$ 8,700.00	\$12,500.00
Section 7:	\$ 9,850.00	No Bid
Section 8:	\$15,600.00	\$18,500.00
Section 9:	\$ 9,750.00	\$ 7,500.00
Section 10:	\$ 9,100.00	\$ 8,500.00
Section 11:	\$ 8,900.00	No Bid
Section 12:	\$ 9,750.00	\$17,500.00
Section 13:	\$18,950.00	\$ 7,500.00
Section 14:	\$18,450.00	No Bid
Section 15:	\$26,900.00	No Bid
Section 16:	<u>\$43,750.00</u>	<u>No Bid</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$269,100.00</b>	<b>\$72,000.00</b>

**Bidder:** B & E Tree Service, Inc.  
**Bid Security:** Grand Island, NE  
**Exceptions:** Granite RE, Inc.  
None

**Bid Price:**  
**Section 1:** \$19,500.00  
**Section 2:** \$16,950.00  
**Section 3:** \$20,250.00  
**Section 4:** \$10,500.00  
**Section 5:** \$21,000.00  
**Section 6:** \$15,000.00  
**Section 7:** \$13,500.00  
**Section 8:** \$34,500.00  
**Section 9:** \$13,750.00  
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**Section 16:** \$22,500.00  
**Total:** \$387,200.00

cc: Tim Luchsinger, Utilities Director  
Marlan Ferguson, City Administrator  
Christy Leshner, PCC Utilities Secretary

Pat Gericke, Utilities Admin. Assist.  
Stacy Nonhof, Assistant City Attorney  
Tom Barnes, Utilities Eng. Manager

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**Tree Trimming Contract 2016-TT-1**

Bids Received 10/15/15

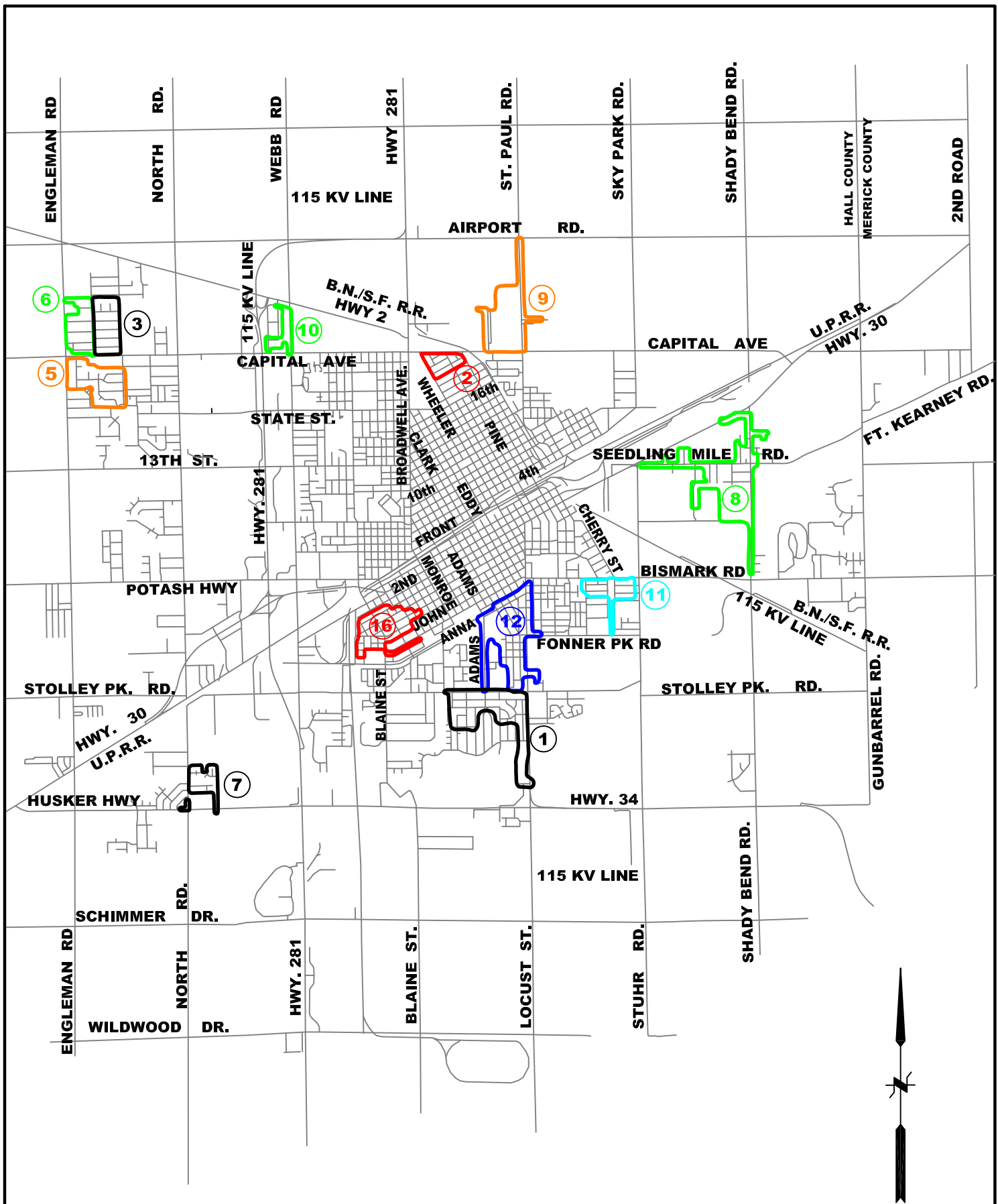
Budget Amount = \$150,000.00

The City may select any or all sections to be awarded in this Contract.

or - The City may award to a single Contractor for all sections

or - award to multiple Contractors by individual section.

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Award by Low Bid Per Section	<b>\$69,400.00</b>	<b>\$16,000.00</b>	<b>\$63,000.00</b>
Sections:	2,3,6,7,8,11,12	9,10	1,5,16
Exceptions Noted.	none	none	none
Sections Not Awarded:	4,13,14,15		



SECTIONS TO BE AWARDED: 1,2,3,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,16.



DRAWN BY: K.J.M.  
DATE: 9/9/2015  
CHECKED BY: FIALA

**TREE TRIMMING PROJECT**  
**2016-TT-1**  
**SECTIONS TO BE AWARDED**

## RESOLUTION 2015-288

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited sealed bids for Tree Trimming Project 2016-TT-1 for the Utilities Department, according to the plans and specifications on file with the Utilities Department; and

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2015, bids were received, opened and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, the requested work has been divided into 16 sections in order to achieve the best and lowest cost, and to expedite the completion of the work; and

WHEREAS, Leetch Tree Service of Grand Island, Nebraska, submitted a bid in accordance with the terms of the advertisement of bids and the plans and specifications and all other statutory requirements contained therein, such bid being in the amount of \$69,400.00, for Sections 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 11 and of the contract; and

WHEREAS, Sheffield Tree Service, Inc., of Grand Island, Nebraska, submitted a bid in the accordance with the terms of the advertisement of bids and the plans and specifications and all other statutory requirements contained therein, such bid being in the amount of \$16,000.00 for Sections 9 and 10 of the contract; and

WHEREAS, B & E Tree Service, Inc., of Grand Island, Nebraska, submitted a bid in accordance with the terms of the advertisement of bids and the plans and specifications and all other statutory requirements contained therein, such bid being in the amount of \$63,000.00, for Sections 1, 5 and 16 of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the combined total of the lowest bids for the above listed 16 sections represents the lowest responsible bid for said project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that:

1. The bid of Leetch Tree Service in the amount of \$69,400.00, for Sections 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 11 and 12 of the contract is hereby approved as the lowest responsive bid submitted for those sections.

2. The bid of Sheffield Tree Service of Grand Island, Nebraska, in the amount of \$16,000.00, for Sections 9 and 10 of the contract is hereby approved as the lowest responsive bid submitted for those sections.

3. The bid of B & E Tree Service, Inc., of Grand Island, Nebraska, in the amount of \$63,000.00, for sections 1, 5 and 16 of the contract is hereby approved as the lowest responsive bid submitted for those sections.

A contract for such project be entered into between the City and such contractors;

Approved as to Form	by _____
October 23, 2015	City Attorney



and that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute such contracts on behalf of the City of Grand Island.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, October 27, 2015.

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Jeremy L. Jensen, Mayor

Attest:

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

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