



City of Niagara Falls, New York

Office of the Mayor

TO: City Council
FROM: Mayor Robert M. Restaino
DATE: August 31, 2022
SUBJECT: Purchase of Trees for the City of Niagara Falls Parks Department/Forestry Division

We respectfully request your approval for the expenditure of Ash Tree Replacement Program Grant funds for the purchase of one hundred thirty-one (131) trees for the City's Forestry Division.

We respectfully request you award the above-referenced item as follows:

TO: Schichtel's Nursery, Inc. (V# 4809)
7420 Peters Road
Springville, New York 14141-9405

FOR: Purchase of **131** trees to be planted throughout the City as follows:
40 quantity Sugar Maple Trees (25 B&B \$115 ea. / 15 BR \$104 ea.)
41 quantity American Elm Trees (26 B&B \$113 ea. / 15 BR \$104 ea.)
30 quantity Basswood Trees (20 B&B \$109 ea. / 10 BR \$103 ea.)
20 quantity Kentucky Coffee Trees (10 B&B \$117 ea. / 10 BR \$111 ea.)

TOTAL TREE COST: \$14,423.00

Planting of the trees will be completed by the City's Forestry Division on overtime, which is covered under the grant. It is anticipated that the total labor cost to plant the 131 trees shall not exceed **\$21,000.00**, based on the costs of the prior phases of planting. This expenditure will include FICA and the contractually obligated overtime meals.

The City Purchasing Division certifies that all quotes were solicited in accordance with Section 103 of the General Municipal Law.

Funds for these expenditures are available from the approved Greenway funds in capital account code H1907.

Will the Council so authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement with the above named vendor in a form acceptable to the Corporation Counsel?

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Robert M. Restaino

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