

City of Waukesha

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Committee: Finance Committee	Date:
Common Council Item Number: 25-00355 CD grass contract	Date: 2025-03-18
Submitted By: Jennifer Andrews	City Administrator Approval: Anthony W. Brown
Finance Department Review: Joseph P. Ciurro	City Attorney's Office Review: Brian Running
Subject: Review and act on a contract for mowing services.	

Details:

When the City issues a tall grass or noxious weed notice to a property owner they have 5 days to come into compliance. If they do not, the City sends a landscape contractor to mow the property. The cost of those services are invoiced to the property owner. This contract is specifically for the service related to code compliance. The contractor is required to respond within 2 business days and there is no guarantee on the number of times they will be called upon in a given year.

Community Development sought pricing for this service and Paul Terry Services was the most competitive response. We are concluding a 3-year contract with them in June. Their service and response has been excellent. This contract is at the same rate as the previous contract.

Options & Alternatives:

Financial Remarks:

The cost of this service is paid by the property owners. There is one exception, the railroad right of ways. The railroad companies refuse to mow their right of ways and they also refuse to pay invoices that we send to them. That cost is paid by the taxpayer. We typically have the railroad right of way along West Ave. mowed 2-3 times a year.

Executive Recommendation:

Approve the contract as presented.