

BILL/ RESOLUTION REQUEST

1. Title: Amends an on-call contract with ACME Tree Service (OC 03062) for on-call City Wide Emergency and Enforcement Tree Service from \$450,000 to \$1,250,000 and extend from June 2014 to June 2015.

2. Requesting Agency: Parks and Recreation

3. Contact Person *with actual knowledge of proposed ordinance*

Name:Robert Davis

Phone:720-913-0617

Email:robert.davis@denvergov.org

4. Contact Person *with actual knowledge of proposed ordinance who will present the item at Mayor Council and who will be available for first and second reading, if necessary*

Name:Angela Casias

Phone:720-913-0741

Email:angela.casias@denvergov.org

5. Describe the proposed ordinance, including what the proposed ordinance is intended to accomplish, who's involved

a. Scope of Work

The funding for this ordinance comes from forestry general fund annual operating budget and is reimbursed by home owners. The expenses are related to enforcement of public safety related code violations or emergency storm response for debris blocking public rights-of-way. The final expenses associated with the use of this contract are billed to property owners. Property owners who choose voluntary enforcement that cannot afford to remove dead trees within their own means can take advantage of a 12-month no interest payment plan offered by the P&R Department. Since 2011 the Parks and Recreation Department has had an average return of 80% cost recovery (recovered funds paid by property owners which return to general fund). ACME Tree Service is the low-bid contractor for the on-call tree services contract. When next contractors in-line through this awarded contract are used, increased expenses to Denver property owners are incurred. ACME Tree Service has been the only contractor that consistently responds to after hour requests from Public Works Safety when there is a need to mitigate storm damage or major roadways being obstructed from late night tree failures. By increasing the spending limit and term of the contract the City is minimizing the potential expenses paid by property owners for emergency tree removals and /or enforcement of code violations. ACME Tree Service has been of major benefit to Police, Fire, Public Works, Parks & Recreation / Forestry, and Denver property owners as the low-bid on-call contractor offering high quality public safety related tree care services at a bid price lower than any other licensed tree service.

b. Duration

6/30/2012 through 6/30/2015

c. Location

Citywide

d. Affected Council District

Citywide

e. Benefits

Ability for Forestry and Public Works Safety to take action on tree related safety issues and right of way encumbrances at the lowest cost to residents that we have to offer.

f. Costs

This is an increase of a contract spending limit and no addition funding is being requested

6. Is there any controversy surrounding this ordinance, groups or individuals who may have concerns about it? Please explain.

No.

Bill Request Number: BR12-0813

Date: 10/23/2012