

EM SUBMISSION NO.: EMES102014

PRESENTED: 9-12-14

ADOPTED: 9-12-14

BY THE EMERGENCY MANAGER:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT TO ENTER INTO A SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH GENESEE CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR FORESTRY WORK AND HAZARDOUS TREE REMOVAL IN CITY PARKS

The Department of Planning and Development desires to enter into a Services Agreement with Genesee Conservation District (GCD) for forestry work and hazardous tree removal in City parks. With only \$10,000 allocated in the FY 2014-2015 budget for tree removal, the Department of Planning and Development is limited in its capacity to carry out much needed forestry management and tree removal services. To ensure that City funds are used in the most efficient way possible, this Services Agreement would empower GCD to manage all forestry and tree removal activities in City parks using dedicated and trained forestry personnel, as well as to leverage grant funding for additional parks related forestry work.

IT IS RESOLVED, that the Emergency Manager shall, on behalf of the City of Flint, authorize the Department of Planning and Development to enter into a Services Agreement with Genesee Conservation District for forestry work and hazardous tree removal in City parks.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Peter M. Bade, Chief Legal Officer

APPROVED AS TO FINANCE:



Gerald Ambrose, Finance Director

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Darnell Earley, Emergency Manager

DATED: 9-12-14

RESOLUTION STAFF REVIEW FORM

DATE: September 9, 2014

Agenda Item Title: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT TO ENTER INTO A SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH GENESEE CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR FORESTRY AND HAZARDOUS TREE REMOVAL IN CITY PARKS

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Background/Summary of Proposed Action:

The Master Plan calls for effective and sustainable management of the City's urban canopy. However, with only \$10,000 allocated in the FY 2014-2015 budget for tree removal in parks, the Department of Planning and Development is limited in its capacity to carry out much needed forestry management and tree removal services.

To ensure that City funds are used in the most efficient way possible, this Services Agreement would empower GCD to manage all forestry and tree removal activities in City parks using dedicated and trained forestry personnel, as well as to leverage grant funding for additional parks related forestry work. Given their high level of technical expertise and forestry experience, planning staff have determined that GCD would be far more efficient and effective at ensuring that City forestry funds are being used to leverage maximum impact and in fulfillment of maximum need. Planning staff will maintain open communication with GCD throughout this process.

Financial Implications:

Services Agreement will provide GCD with \$10,000 of funding budgeted through the Parks Millage Fund (Account #: _____).

Budgeted Expenditure: Yes No _____ **Please explain, if no:**

Pre-encumbered: Yes _____ No

Staff Recommendation:

The Director of Planning and Development/Chief Planning Officer recommends approval of this resolution.

Staff Person:


Megan Hunter, Director of Planning and Development