

**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT:**            **FY 2022/23 RIGHT-OF-WAY RESTORATION  
 (TURF GRASS VEGETATION)**

**BACKGROUND:**

This program is for restoration of the right-of-way areas associated with various Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) projects, along with some smaller maintenance projects as needed. Disturbed ROW areas under this contract will be restored using seed or sod. This ROW Restoration program allows the use of a single contractor who specializes in turf grass to restore several locations with improved quality.

Staff has completed plans and specifications for this contract which includes a base bid for ROW Restoration (turf grass vegetation) and Alternate Bid A (warranty). On June 8, 2022 bids were received as follows:

<i><b>Bidder</b></i>	<i><b>Base Bid</b></i>	<i><b>Alternate A</b></i>	<i><b>TOTAL</b></i>
<i>Engineer's Estimate</i>	<i>\$305,884.00</i>	<i>\$20,000.00</i>	<i>\$325,884.00</i>
Country Landscapes, Inc.	\$278,183.20	\$10,000.00	\$288,183.20
Greentech of Iowa, LLC	\$300,903.00	\$15,000.00	\$315,903.00

The budget below includes the funds from the FY 2022/23 ROW Restoration CIP budget (some funding from FY 2021/22 was carried forward). Remaining funds will be used for an additional ROW Restoration (Native Vegetation) contract, which involves distinct native planting requirements and will be awarded at a later time under a separate contract.

	<b>Available Revenue</b>	<b>Estimated Expenses</b>
<b><u>Funding Source</u></b>		
Road Use Tax	\$250,000	
Water Utility Fund	150,000	
Sewer Utility Fund	150,000	
Storm Sewer Utility Fund	100,000	
<b><u>Project Activity</u></b>		
<b>2022/23 ROW Restoration (Turf Grass) Construction</b>		<b>\$288,183.20</b>
2022/23 ROW Restoration Engineering		45,000.00
2022/23 ROW Restoration (Native Vegetation) Estimated		290,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$650,000</b>	<b>\$623,183.20</b>

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. a. Accept the report of bids for the FY 2022/23 Right-of-Way Restoration (Turf Grass) project.
  - b. Approve the final plans and specifications for this project.
  - c. Award the FY 2022/23 Right-of-Way Restoration (Turf Grass) project to Country Landscapes, Inc. of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$288,183.20.
2. Award the contract to one of the other bidders.
3. Do not proceed with this project.

**CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

By approving the final plans and specifications and awarding the contract, this contract will make it possible to begin restoration efforts on projects from the current construction season as well as projects planned for the 2023 construction season.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as described above.