

Legislation Text

## File #: 2375-2017, Version: 1

**Background:** This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract with Greenscapes Landscape Co., Inc. for the installation of 1,064 street trees throughout Columbus.

This project will be installing trees in Planning Areas 1, 2, 2A, 3, 5, 7, 10, 11, 11, 12, 13, 13B, 14, 14A, 14B, 16, 19A, 20, 20A, 22A, 22B, 22D, 22F, 23, 24 and 27 through the Mayor's Green Initiative to help replace tree species that have been removed throughout the city due to tree mortality. The new tree plantings will represent a diverse species of trees selected specifically for each planting location. It takes into consideration the specific site restrictions that each location has in an effort to replace some of our lost Urban Tree Canopy and reduce storm water run-off in the area while not interfering with nearby utilities or structures.

The costs for this project will be \$286,142.85 with a contingency of \$29,000.00 for a total of \$315,142.85.

Bids were advertised through Vendor Services, in accordance with City Code Section 329, on August 15, 2017 and received by the Recreation and Parks Department on August 29, 2017. Bids were received from the following companies:

Company	Amount
Greenscapes (MAJ)	\$286,142.85
Facemyer (FBE)	\$294,728.00
Oakland Nursery (MAJ)	\$369,920.88

After reviewing the proposals that were submitted, it was determined that Greenscapes Landscape Co. was the lowest and most responsive bidder.

# **Principal Parties:**

Greenscapes Landscape Company 4220 Winchester Pike, Columbus, OH 43232 Tom Kuhn 614-830-2606 CC# 31-1027889 Exp Date: 8/17/19

**Emergency Justification:** An emergency is being requested due to tree planting having specific periods of time when it is most beneficial to plant trees.

**Benefits to the Public:** These plantings will increase the Urban Tree Canopy which reduces storm water runoff, reduces utility costs to nearby homes and businesses, and reduces air pollution.

### Area(s) Affected:

Planning Areas 1, 2, 2A, 3, 5, 7, 10, 11, 11, 12, 13, 13B, 14, 14A, 14B, 16, 19A, 20, 20A, 22A, 22B, 22D, 22F, 23, 24 and 27

**Master Plan Relation:** This project supports the departments Master Plan by planting trees intended to both replace and add to the City of Columbus' urban tree canopy. It will be adding to the total overall canopy levels and is helping to replace trees lost due to the Emerald Ash Borer and other causes of tree mortality.

**Fiscal Impact:** \$315,142.85 is budgeted and available in the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund 7702 to meet the financial obligations of this contract. \$127,806.75 is contingent on the 2017 Bond Sale.

To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with Greenscapes Landscape Co., Inc. for the installation of street trees throughout the City of Columbus; contingent on the 2017 Bond Sale; to amend the 2017 Capital Improvements Budget, and transfer funding within the Recreation and Park Voted Bond Fund; to authorize the expenditure of \$315,142.85 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$315,142.85)

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to authorize and direct the Director of the Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with Greenscapes Landscape Co., Inc. for the installation of 1,064 street trees throughout the City of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance is contingent upon passage of the 2017 Bond Sale; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to authorize that the 2017 Capital Improvements Budget Ordinance 1124-2017 be amended in order to provide sufficient budget authority for this legislation and future projects; and

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary to transfer of \$111,621.26 between projects within the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund 7702; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Recreation and Parks Department in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into said contract as tree planting has specific periods of time when it is most beneficial to plant trees adding to the preservation of public health, peace, property and safety; NOW, THEREFORE

# **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:**

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of Recreation and Parks be and is hereby authorized and directed to enter into contract with Greenscapes Landscape Co., Inc. for the installation of 1,064 street trees throughout the City of Columbus.

**SECTION 2.** That this ordinance is contingent on the 2017 Bond Sale.

**SECTION 3.** That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

**SECTION 4.** That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.

**SECTION 5.** That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer the unencumbered balance in a project account to the unallocated balance account within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the Director of the Department administering said project that the project has been completed and the monies are no longer required for said project.

**SECTION 6.** That the transfer of \$111,621.26 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized between projects within the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund 7702 per the account codes in the attachments to this ordinance.

**SECTION 7.** That the 2017 Capital Improvements Budget Ordinance 1124-2017 is hereby amended as follows in order to provide sufficient budget authority for this legislation and future projects.

# Fund / Project / Project Name / Current / Change / Amended

Fund 7702 / P440006-100000; UIRF Misc. (Voted Carryover) / \$226,570 / \$31,917 / \$258,487 (to match cash) Fund 7702 / P440006-100113; UIRF Planning Area 13 (Voted Carryover) / \$0 / \$9,910 / \$9,910 (to match cash) Fund 7702 / P440006-100119; UIRF Planning Area 19 (Voted Carryover) / \$0 / \$23,531 / \$23,531 (to match cash) Fund 7702 / P440006-100120; UIRF Planning Area 20 (Voted Carryover) / \$0 / \$4,525 / \$4,525 (to match cash) Fund 7702 / P440006-100122; UIRF Planning Area 22 (Voted Carryover) / \$0 / \$7,555 / \$7,555 (to match cash) Fund 7702 / P440006-100122; UIRF Planning Area 22 (Voted Carryover) / \$0 / \$7,555 / \$7,555 (to match cash) Fund 7702 / P510039-100001; Street Trees (Voted Carryover) / \$55,102 / \$20,613 / \$75,715 (to match cash)

Fund 7702 / P440006-100000; UIRF Misc. (Voted Carryover) / \$258,487 / (\$66,101) / \$192,386 Fund 7702 / P440006-100113; UIRF Planning Area 13 (Voted Carryover) / \$9,910 / (\$9,910) / \$0 Fund 7702 / P440006-100119; UIRF Planning Area 19 (Voted Carryover) / \$23,531 / (\$23,531) / \$0 Fund 7702 / P440006-100120; UIRF Planning Area 20 (Voted Carryover) / \$4,525 / (\$4,525) / \$0 Fund 7702 / P440006-100122; UIRF Planning Area 22 (Voted Carryover) / \$7,555 / (\$7,555) / \$0

Fund 7702 / P440006-102121; UIRF University District Trees (Voted Carryover) / \$0 / \$111,622 / \$111,622

**SECTION 8.** That for the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$315,142.85 or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the cost thereof, be and is hereby authorized from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund 7702 in object class 06 Capital Outlay per the accounting codes in the attachment.

**SECTION 9.** That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or 10 days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.