

Parks and Public Works Committee Agenda Item Report

FROM: Scott Herbert – Public Works Superintendent

MEETING DATE: February 25, 2025

SUBJECT: Willow Tree at Cook Park Update

DESCRIPTION:

After sustaining damage from a windstorm, the Black Willow tree located at Cook Park was assessed by an arborist and determined to be a safety risk. Therefore, the decision was made to remove the tree. Some people contacted the City during this time and expressed an interest in obtaining wood from the tree for various woodworking projects. The wood has been stored at the Public Works facility.

A recommendation from the Parks and Public Works Committee on how best to distribute the remaining lumber would be helpful along with having another opportunity to share ideas of what should be done with the park space moving forward.

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED:

N/A

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION REVIEW:

N/A

LEGAL REVIEW:

N/A

SAMPLE MOTION:

N/A

ESTIMATE

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102 Butler Street
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Estimate details

Estimate no.: ES11302024
Estimate date: 11/30/2024

City and Zip Code: COS 2024 - 2025
Sales Representative: Edward Dowd
Arborist Recommendation: MI 3750A CCO
ID:444209828

Product or service	Description	Qty	Rate	Amount
	The Shade Tree Program is advised for particular trees of concern following an Arborist's assessment. The city faces numerous hazardous tree issues, posing potential risks to property and public safety. E. Dowd's Crane Service suggests pruning hazardous branches or removing completely dead or defective trees after identifying risks associated with (C.O.S.) trees.			
Crane Assistance Service	569 Hofman- Utilizing a Bucket truck & 2 Arborists to remove previous storm damaged Silver Maple located at Left front property. COS TO CLEAN UP AND HAUL	1	\$1,375.00	\$1,375.00
Crane Assistance Service	569 Hofman- Utilizing a Bucket truck & 2 Arborists to prune and deadwood 2nd Silver Maple located at Right front property. WILL GIRDLE IVY VINES ENGULFING THE TREE COS TO CLEAN UP AND HAUL	1	\$825.00	\$825.00
Crane Assistance Service	309 Grand- Utilizing Bucket & 2 Arborist to remove large 42-inch defective Sugar Maple with multiple cables holding the tree together. *PREVIOUS PLAN TO ACCESS NEIGHBORING SIDE PROPERTY USING PLYWOOD FOR CRANE ACCESS. COS TO CLEAN UP AND HAUL DEBRIS	1	\$2,750.00	\$2,750.00

Crane Assistance Service	341 Main Street- Utilizing 2 Arborist with crane to remove defective Sugar Maple located front of property. COS TO CLEAN UP AND HAUL DEBRIS	1	\$1,687.50	\$1,687.50
Crane Assistance Service	233 Culver Street- Utilizing 2 Arborist with crane to remove a large defective Norway Maple with woodpecker activity in large upper stem. Located in front property of Bright World Candle Co. COS TO CLEAN UP AND HAUL DEBRIS.	1	\$1,145.00	\$1,145.00
Crane Assistance Service	433 Main Street- Utilizing 2 Arborist with Crane to remove defective Sugar Maple located front of property. COS TO CLEAN UP AND HAUL DEBRIS	1	\$1,125.00	\$1,125.00
Crane Assistance Service	Willow Park Water Street- Utilizing 2 Arborist with crane to prune a Willow tree for major deadwood. COS TO CLEAN UP AND HAUL DEBRIS	1	\$875.00	\$875.00
Crane Assistance Service	Cook Park Butler Street- Utilizing 2 Arborist with crane to remove remaining storm damaged Black Willow. COS TO CLEAN UP AND HAUL DEBRIS *NOTE Arborist recommends possibly waiting to see how tree responds in the coming season to evaluate further consideration of tree status.	1	\$1,845.00	\$1,845.00
Total				\$11,627.50

Accepted date 2/10/25

Accepted by Sara Williams