



## Memo

To: City Council  
From: Bryan Myrkle, Community Development Director  
Date: February 9, 2024  
Re: Staff report on tree removal bid award

### Background

As City Council members are all aware, the City has been working for several years on a project to trim and/or remove trees that are growing into the runway approach protection zones of Beach Airport. Some of the trees involved in the project are being removed by the owner of the Meadows Mobile Home Park, and the rest will be removed by a contractor working for the City of Charlotte. This bid award is related to this second group of trees.

There are two bid packages – one for tree work within newly acquired easement areas that is eligible for grant-funded reimbursement, and one for tree work in areas where the City has previously existing easements. The work in areas where the City already had easements is not eligible for funding assistance. In each case, the same contractor was the low bidder.

While there is a wide disparity in bid amounts, the low bidder is relatively close in price to our engineer's estimate, and they have done work on Prein & Newhof projects previously with good results. Therefore, we are recommending awarding the work to the low bidder, New Life Arboricultural Services.

### Recommendation

**Award airport-related tree removal work to the low bidder of Package A and Package B, New Life Arboricultural Services, in the amounts of \$31,075 and \$9,850, respectively.** Please attached documentation of bids received for additional details.

February 5, 2024  
Runway 21 Obstruction Removal **Package A**  
City of Charlotte, Fitch H Beach Airport  
P&N No.: 2230877

RE: Recommendation to Award

Dear Mr. Myrkle:

Bids were received for the Runway 21 Obstruction Removal **Package A** project on January 31, 2024. Package A includes the grant eligible work on this project. Six separate bids were received. Please find the bid tabulation enclosed for your reference.

The bids were as follows:

Treeworks	\$143,500
J. Ranck	\$124,850
Precise Construction	\$307,600
New Life	\$31,075
Midwest Tree	\$78,250
Apex	\$288,970

**New Life Arboricultural Services** is low bidder for the project in the amount of **\$31,075**. Bid documentation was reviewed, and the bidder was found to be responsive to the bid documents.

The low bid was below the engineer's estimate of probable cost of \$51,500.

Accordingly, we recommend awarding the project to New Life Arboricultural Services for \$31,075.

Sincerely,

**Prein&Newhof**



Jon Van Duinen, P.E.

Enclosures: Project Bid Tabulation

February 5, 2024  
Runway 21 Obstruction Removal **Package B**  
City of Charlotte, Fitch H Beach Airport  
P&N No.: 2230877

RE: Recommendation to Award

Dear Mr. Myrkle:

Bids were received for the Runway 21 Obstruction Removal **Package B** project on January 31, 2024. Package B includes the local only funded work on this project. Six separate bids were received. Please find the bid tabulation enclosed for your reference.

The bids were as follows:

Treeworks	\$41,500
J. Ranck	\$102,100
Precise Construction	\$71,200
New Life	\$9,850
Midwest Tree	\$16,525
Apex	\$72,212

**New Life Arboricultural Services** is low bidder for the project in the amount of **\$9,850**. Bid documentation was reviewed, and the bidder was found to be responsive to the bid documents.

The low bid was below the engineer's estimate of probable cost of \$17,200.

Accordingly, we recommend awarding the project to New Life Arboricultural Services for \$9,850.

Sincerely,

**Prein&Newhof**



Jon Van Duinen, P.E.

Enclosures: Project Bid Tabulation

## Bid Tabulation Summary

Bid Date:	Bid Time (Local):
January 31, 2024	3:00 PM
Owner:	
City of Charlotte, Fitch H Beach Airport	
Project Title:	
Runway 21 Obstruction Removal	
Project #:	
2230877	

Number	Contractor Name	Package A Total	Package B Total	Bid Amount
1st	New Life Arboricultural Services 3420 Broadmoor Ave SE, Ste 5, Grand Rapids, MI 49512	\$31,075.00	\$9,900.00	\$40,975.00 *
2nd	Midwest Tree Service 6791 Lansing Rd, Charlotte, MI 48813	\$0.00	\$16,525.00	\$16,525.00 *
3rd	Treeworks PO Box 274, Coopersville, MI 49404	\$143,500.00	\$41,500.00	\$185,000.00
4th	J. Ranck Electric 1993 Gover Parkway, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858	\$124,850.00	\$102,100.00	\$226,950.00
5th	Apex Septic & Excavating 114 E Lawrence Ave, Charlotte, MI 48813	\$288,905.96	\$72,211.80	\$361,117.76 *
6th	Precise Construction 6544 W Butterfield Hwy, Bellevue, MI 49021	\$307,600.00	\$71,200.00	\$378,800.00

\* Denotes correction made by Engineer

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Project Title: Runway 21 Obstruction Removal																			
Bid Date & Time: January 31, 2024 at 3:00 PM		Project #: 2230877																	
Item No.				Description		Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Total Amount	Unit Price	Total Amount	Unit Price	Total Amount	Unit Price	Total Amount	Unit Price	Total Amount		
Package A																			
1	1000400_Mobilization and General Conditions					1	LS	\$500.00	\$500.00		\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
2	1000410_Safety and Security					1	LS	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00		\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$6,900.00	\$6,900.00	\$13,600.00	\$13,600.00
3	1510413_Selective Tree Clearing E19					79	EA	\$325.00	\$25,675.00		\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$118,500.00	\$1,150.00	\$90,850.00	\$3,098.00	\$244,742.00	\$3,000.00	\$237,000.00
4	1510413_Selective Tree Clearing E20					12	EA	\$325.00	\$3,900.00		\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$18,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$24,000.00	\$2,980.33	\$35,763.96 *	\$3,500.00	\$42,000.00
Package A Subtotal:								\$31,075.00		\$0.00		\$143,500.00		\$124,850.00		\$288,905.96		\$307,600.00	
Package B																			
1	1000400_Mobilization and General Conditions					1	LS	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
2	1000410_Safety and Security					1	LS	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00	\$13,600.00	\$13,600.00
3	1510413_Selective Tree Clearing E7					34	EA	\$175.00	\$5,950.00 *	\$325.00	\$11,050.00	\$800.00	\$27,200.00	\$1,150.00	\$39,100.00	\$1,434.20	\$48,762.80 *	\$1,000.00	\$34,000.00
4	1510413_Selective Tree Clearing E10					3	EA	\$250.00	\$750.00	\$325.00	\$975.00	\$1,100.00	\$3,300.00	\$3,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$1,573.00	\$4,719.00	\$1,200.00	\$3,600.00
5	1510413_Tree and Bruch Clearing Airport Property					1	LS	\$1,700.00	\$1,700.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$15,730.00	\$15,730.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
Package B Subtotal:								\$9,900.00		\$16,525.00		\$41,500.00		\$102,100.00		\$72,211.80 *		\$71,200.00	
Total Bid								\$40,975.00 *		\$16,525.00 *		\$185,000.00		\$226,950.00		\$361,117.76 *		\$378,800.00	

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