

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: Ope's Landscaping Inc. Agreement

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend approval of the Agreement with Ope's Landscaping Inc. ("Ope's") for grass cutting services in an amount up to \$60,000.00. This Agreement is subject to the City Manager's approval as to substance and the City Attorney as to form.

This vendor meets all requirements of §14.23, "Vendors", of "Purchasing, Contracting, and Selling Procedure," of Chapter 14, "Finance and Purchasing, of "Title 1, "General Provisions" of the Saginaw Code of Ordinances O-1.

Funds for this service are available in the Public Services Abatement of Nuisances Operating Services Account No. 101-7571-841-8005.

Justification:

Staff has a substantial amount of grass to cut in the City. Due to the large amount of grass, staff is not able to cut all of the lots. A determination was made to solicit proposals from outside vendors to assist in-house staff with cutting grass. Proposals were submitted by several vendors. Staff reviewed the proposals and determined that Ope's offered the best deal. Ope's will supply the City with grass cutting assistance whenever it is needed, at a rate of \$80.00 an hour. Other vendors had higher hourly rates and could only provide grass cutting assistance on certain days.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.