



Lake County Forest Preserves

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DATE: February 28, 2022

TO: Jessica Vealitzek, Chair
Operations Committee

Julie Simpson, Chair
Finance Committee

FROM: Pati Vitt
Director of Natural Resources

Alex Eichman
Chief of Golf Operations

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend approval of a Resolution awarding contracts for District-Wide Plant Protectant Chemicals to BTSI; Chicagoland Turf; Clesens Inc.; Conserv FS; Nutrien Ag Solutions, Inc.; Pendelton Turf Supply, Inc.; Reinders, Inc.; and VanDiest Supply Company in a total amount not to exceed \$342,900.00.

STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS SUPPORTED: Organizational Sustainability; Conservation

FINANCIAL DATA: The District's approved FY2022 budget provides for payment for these products with \$80,000.00 in the Natural Resources Grounds Maintenance Supplies account (27643800-641100) and \$262,900.00 in the Revenue Facilities Grounds Commodities account. Specific account codes are shown on Appendix A to this memorandum.

BACKGROUND: These products are purchased annually and used on an as-needed basis to maintain the golf courses and provide the needed herbicide applications throughout the other properties in the District. Each yellow highlighted bid listed on the Exhibit attached to the resolution is the lowest bid for the corresponding type of Product. The staff recommends that the Board find these to be the lowest responsible bids. The bids highlighted in blue on the Exhibit either (i) do not conform to the bidding specifications because they include unacceptable alternate products, or container sizes, or (ii) reflect prices that the bidders will not hold for the term of the contract. The staff recommends the rejection of bids that are highlighted in blue.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: Chief Operations Officer, Director of Finance, Manager of Landscape Ecology, Purchasing Manager and Corporate Counsel.

APPENDIX A

The Plant Protectant products have been budgeted for in the Revenue Facilities Golf Grounds
Commodities account codes:

Countryside

80523800-642200 (herbicide)
80523800-642300 (fertilizer)
80523800-642400 (plant protectants)
80523800-642500 (insecticide)
80523800-642600 (turf grass chemicals)

Brae Loch

81523800-642200 (herbicide)
81523800-642300 (fertilizer)
81523800-642400 (plant protectants)
81523800-642500 (insecticide)
81523800-642600 (turf grass chemicals)

ThunderHawk

83523800-642200 (herbicide)
83523800-642300 (fertilizer)
83523800-642400 (plant protectants)
83523800-642500 (insecticide)
83523800-642600 (turf grass chemicals)

**LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**A RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACTS FOR THE
PURCHASE OF PLANT PROTECTANT PRODUCTS**

WHEREAS, the Lake County Forest Preserve District (the “District”) has advertised in The Lake County News Sun for sealed bids to purchase plant protectant products, which are listed under the column titled “PRODUCT DESCRIPTION” on the attached exhibit (the “Products”); and

WHEREAS, all sealed bids were received and opened by the District at its General Offices, 1899 West Winchester Road, Libertyville, Illinois on January 28, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.; and such bids are summarized on the exhibit attached hereto (the “Exhibit”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners hereby finds that the blue highlighted bids in the Exhibit (i) are for incorrect or unacceptable alternate products, container sizes, or units of measure that do not conform to bidding specifications for the Products, or (ii) reflect prices that the bidders will not hold during the terms of the proposed Contracts (defined below) (collectively, the “Non-Conforming Bids”); and

WHEREAS, the District’s staff; the Purchasing Manager; the Chief of Golf Operations, the Director of Natural Resources; the Operations Committee and the Finance Committee have reviewed the bids, and recommend that the Board of Commissioners, (i) find that each yellow highlighted bid listed on the Exhibit (collectively, the “Low Bids”) is a lowest responsible bid for the corresponding type of Product listed in the “PRODUCT DESCRIPTION” column of the Exhibit and (ii) award contracts for the Products to each of BTSI; Chicagoland Turf Illinois; Clesens Inc., Conserv FS,; Nutrien Ag Solutions, Inc., Pendelton Turf Supply, Inc., Reinders, Inc., and VanDiest Supply Company, (collectively the “Low Bidders”) for the Products for which each Low Bidder submitted a Low Bid, pursuant to which the District may purchase such amounts of the Products that it determines are necessary or desirable for District use (the “Contracts”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners hereby finds that each Low Bid is a lowest responsible bid for the corresponding type of Product listed in the “PRODUCT DESCRIPTION” column of the Exhibit;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Lake County Forest Preserve District, Lake County, Illinois THAT:

Section 1. Recitals. The recitals set forth above are incorporated as a part of this Resolution by this reference.

Section 2. Rejection of Non-Conforming Bids. The Non-Conforming Bids are hereby rejected.

Section 3. Acceptance of Bids and Award of Contracts. The Low Bids in the amounts listed on the Exhibit (the “Contract Prices”) are hereby accepted and Contracts for the Products are

hereby awarded to the Low Bidders. The Executive Director of the District is hereby authorized to execute the Contracts for the Products in the amount of the Contract Prices.

Section 4. Payments. The Treasurer shall make payments under the Contracts only pursuant to and in accordance with the Contracts' terms.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2022

AYES:

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APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2022

ATTEST:

Angelo D. Kyle, President
Lake County Forest Preserve District

Julie Gragnani, Secretary
Lake County Forest Preserve District

Exhibit _____

