



# CITY OF APPLETON

**To:** Utilities Committee

**From:** Laura Jungwirth, Director of Public Works  
Nate Loper, Deputy Director of Public Works

**Date:** January 20, 2025

**Re:** Award Ash Tree Removal Contract to Foley's Tree Service, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$425,000

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The Department of Public Works recommends award of the 2025 Ash Tree Removal Contract to Foley's Tree Service, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$425,000.

In December 2024 a Request for Proposals (RFP) was sent to six tree removal companies for removal of 900 ash trees. Four companies responded to the RFP and City staff evaluated these proposals based upon professional qualifications, quality assurance and competitive pricing.

Work under this contract includes the following:

- Removal of dead, dying or affected trees by the emerald ash borer.
  - Approximately 680 trees in the street right of way
  - Approximately 220 trees in 18 City parks.
- Stump grinding and terrace restoration will follow the removal of the above ground portions of the trees.

Since this work is of a potentially dangerous nature and requires special expertise, Foley's Tree Service stood out in the following ways.

- First-hand experience with Foley's providing exceptional service in Appleton in 2024.
- Years of experience in the industry.
- Positive references in executing similar contracts with other Wisconsin municipalities.
- Commitment to safety and professionalism which was reinforced by reference checks.
- Trained and credentialed staff.
- Equipment listed for the completion of the contract.
- Expedited timeline for completion of work entailed

Thank you for your consideration.