



**CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS**  
**Committee of the Whole Agenda Communication**

**Meeting Date:** May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Prepared By:** Brian Rittenhouse - Public Works Director

**Agenda Item:** City Landscaping Discussion.

**Explanation:** Council and Staff believe there is a need to improve the City Landscaping. It is our goal to provide the residents and visitors with a pleasant experience when they enter the City, visit the square to shop or dine, and when they visit City Hall, the Police Department, or the Veterans Memorial. Staff has reached out to several businesses and individuals to request quotes to assist the City with their landscaping. Below are the current results of their effort.

<u>Mobeck Lawn &amp; Landscaping</u>				
	4 Entrance Signs	\$1,450.00		
	CH, PD, VM	\$1,575.00		
	Square Planters	\$1,450.00		
	Parking Islands	\$650.00		
Watering	Max Watering	\$18,500.00	\$11,100.00	Avg Watering
Per Day	5 days/week			3 days/week
\$185.00	20 weeks	Mid May - September		20 weeks
		\$23,625.00	\$16,225.00	

**Create a Scene - Square Only**

City Square Planters, Wagon filled with potted plants and greenery

Includes Watering - Spring \$4,450.00

City Square Planters with fall décor, Wagon filled with straw, mums and corn

As Needed Watering - Fall \$2,075.00.

Total \$6,525.00

**Susie (City Resident)**

City Hall, Police Department, Veterans Memorial Only

Clean and maintain current landscaping, includes watering

\$35.00/hr. Estimated 100 Hours

Estimated Total \$3,500.00

**Fiscal Impact:** The FY 22-23 has \$10,000 budgeted in the Streets account #100-003-510-6500. There is also \$15,000 in TIF funds, \$5,150 in City Hall funds to cover most of the cost of these services. Total of \$30,150.00 budgeted

### **Committee**

**Discussion Summary:** I believe Mobeck Lawn & Landscaping has the ability to do the landscaping the City is looking for. I met with Mr. Mobeck and he seems very eager to show what his company can do for the City. I also liked Create a Scene proposal for the wagon and fall décor. Susie worked several hours last summer working on the landscape at City Hall and the Police Department. I feel we have some options that will give us the results we're looking for while keeping well under this fiscal year's budget.

**Action Requested:** Discussion and direction.