

Competitive Bidding of Minneapolis Woodchips



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**FREE
WOOD CHIPS**
Courtesy of
MPRB Forestry







BID SPECIFICATIONS FOR SALE OF WOOD CHIPS

INTRODUCTION

The Mpls Park and Recreation Board of Commissioners (MPRB) is currently accepting bids for the sale of wood chips from its tree maintenance and tree removal operations. The wood has been chipped using Brush Bandit 1890HD and Brush Bandit 250 XP chippers and contains twig, bark and leaf debris. The annual volume of wood chips available for sale is around 30,000 cubic yards but could be more or less depending upon the annual incidence of Dutch elm disease or storm damage. Special consideration will be given to bids that adhere best to the conditions and immediate and timely needs of the MPRB.

BACKGROUND

The MPRB Forestry Division annually produces 50,000+ cubic yards of wood chips from tree maintenance and removal operations. In recent years, due to the increase of Dutch elm disease and the change in MPRB processing equipment, a surplus now exists and is available for sale.

CONDITIONS OF THE SALE OF WOOD CHIPS

The MPRB Forestry Division will be stockpiling wood chips from its tree maintenance and tree removal operations during the year at several locations within or near the City of Minneapolis on public or MPRB owned properties. As a condition of the sale, the Buyer using owned, leased or subcontracted equipment and personnel agrees to remove all wood chips from any and all the designated Storage Site(s) as determined by the MPRB. The Buyer further agrees to begin the removal of all wood chips within 72hrs of being given the notice to proceed, unless otherwise informed by the MPRB. As soon as notice is given, the Buyer will begin hauling steadily until all the wood chips are removed from the designated Storage Site(s). An MPRB representative will work with the Buyer to document and inventory the sale of all wood chips removed.

RIGHT TO REJECT

The intent of the Board is to sell to and work with only responsible, competent Buyers and the MPRB reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

Company Name _____

Date _____

**Send Sale Bids to: Jim Hermann at the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board Forestry Division, 3800 Bryant Ave. So. Mpls, Minn. 55409
Phone (612)-313-7729 / email jhermann@minneapolisparcs.org**

ALL BIDS TO BE RECEIVED IN MPRB OFFICE BY JULY 1, 2008

SALE BID FORM

The Bidder agrees to terms of the sale bid and will load and transport wood chips from the Mpls Wood Chip Storage Site(s) and pay the MPRB \$ _____ per cubic yard. The sale bid price will remain in effect for a one year period beginning in July of 2008.

Bidder agrees to extend terms of sale bid for _____ additional years, to be evaluated each year and extended at the sole option of the MPRB.

Bidder must supply Federal Tax ID or Social Security NO. _____
If Social Security No. is provided, this individual's name must be included as a Bidder

TWO complete sale bid responses including attachments to be returned, one of which is an original.

BIDDER _____
Corporation – Partnership – Individual

SIGNED BY _____
(Signature) (Printed)

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP+4 CODE _____

BUSINESS PHONE (____) _____ FAX NUMBER _____

CELLULAR/PAGER (____) _____



To: FULL BOARD - CONSENT BUSINESS

Subject: SALE OF WOOD CHIPS TO BAILEY NURSERIES INC.

Action Item: THAT THE BOARD AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF THE SALE OF WOOD CHIPS TO BAILEY NURSERIES INC. FOR \$4.25 PER CUBIC YARD ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THEIR BID AND CONTRACT SALES AGREEMENT

Action Requested By: Operations, Forestry Division

Presenter: Michael Schmidt (612) 230-6400

BACKGROUND:

The MPRB Forestry Division produces wood chips as part of their ongoing tree removal and maintenance operations. Today, there are markets and a demand for these wood chips and buyers who will pay the MPRB for them. A Wood Chip Sale Bid was sent out in June to six potential vendors with two of the vendors responding to the bid. Environmental Wood Supply offered a bid of \$3.00 per cubic yard and Bailey Nurseries Inc. offered a bid of \$4.25 per cubic yard.

Bailey Nurseries Inc. has found through experimentation that these wood chips are a valuable potting soil mix component and plans to use them in their tree and shrub container growing operation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: TO AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF THE SALE OF WOOD CHIPS TO BAILEY NURSERIES INC. FOR \$4.25 PER CUBIC YARD ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THEIR BID AND CONTRACT SALES AGREEMENT.









16,000 to 18,000 cubic yards annually

\$68,000 to \$76,000 annual revenue





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THE HOOD