

SUBJECT: 2022 Parks Property Contract Mowing Services

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consider approving Lewis Ground Maintenance to mow Lion's Lake Park, Culp Park, Marr Park, Broad/Monserat, Hawthorne Park, Shepard Park, Bear Creek Park, and Spirit Trail through November 1, 2022.

SUMMARY:

Budgeted, we have 5 full-time maintenance positions: Park Operations Superintendent, Park Maintenance 1, Park Maintenance 1, Park Maintenance 2, and Indoor Crew Leader. We have a Park Maintenance 1 position that has been unfilled since March 2021. We have had little interest in the position, as it has been posted consistently over the last year with no candidates accepting offers.

Contracting out mowing at Lion's Lake Park, Culp Park, Marr Park, Broad/Monserat, Hawthorne Park, Shepard Park, Bear Creek Park, and Spirit Trail helps our crew to focus on other aspects of the park, instead of just mowing. This frees them up to put more time into other projects and areas of the parks. We will continue to mow the following areas: Grover Park, West Park, Cave Hollow Park, and all of our baseball, softball, and soccer fields.

Bid Packet and Quote Attached.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS: The total bid cost was \$30,780 for 26 weeks of mowing. We will have some cost savings, as the prices are calculated for mowing to start the first week of April. We did not purchase mowers this year, so we are able to use budgeted money from 430-631-6205 and salary savings from 430-631-1101. The money will ultimately be billed from 430-631-5299.