COUNTY DEPARTMENT AGENDA REQUEST

Department:	Solid Waste	Presenter(s):	Vanessa Birrell
Meeting Date:	Thursday, March 10, 2011	Type of Request:	Consent

Wording for the Agenda:

Approval of staff's recommendation to extend Proposal #736 to Martin Edwards & Associates, Inc. for Vegetative Debris Grinding for one additional year, beginning March 1, 2011 and ending February 29, 2012.

Background/History/Details:

At least bi-annually Fayette County grinds vegetative debris collected at the Transfer Station's yard waste area. Yearly accumulation is estimated to be approximately 40,000 cubic yards. The last grinding event occurred in December, 2010, when 23,000 cubic yards of debris was ground into mulch. This mulch is well suited for gardening and yard work and is available to Fayette County citizens at no charge.

On February 1, 2010 bids were posted on the Fayette County web site and solicited, resulting in seven responses. On March 25, 2010, the Board of Commissioners awarded an annual contract with a two-year renewal option to Martin Edwards & Associates for a lump sum cost of $39,500 and a price per cubic yard of $1.20 for grinding stock-piled debris on an on-going basis.

Staff is requesting that the agreement in place with Martin Edwards & Associates be extended for an additional year at the previous rates. The extended contract would span two fiscal years. The not-to-exceed amount for the remainder of FY 2011 is $8,952. The estimated not-to-exceed amount to be budgeted for FY 2012 is $80,000.

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

Motion to approve the staff's request to extend Proposal P736 to Martin Edwards and Associates, Inc. for one additional year, beginning March 1, 2011 and ending February 29, 2011,to grind vegetative debris at the County's Transfer Station off First Manassas Mile Road.

If this item requires funding, please describe:

The current balance in the Landfill Services Account is $8952. Solid Waste anticipates budgeting $80,000 for grinding yard debris in FY 2012. Solid Waste is an enterprise fund.

Has this issue come before the Commissioners in the past?	Yes	If so, when?	March 11, 2010
Do you need audio-visual for the presentation?	No	Back-up Material Submitted?	Yes

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Approved by Finance	Yes	Reviewed by Legal	Yes
Approved by Purchasing	Yes	Approved by County Clerk	Yes
Administrator's Approval	Yes		

Staff Notes:

This is a 12 month extension to the agreement that was awarded by the Board on March 25, 2010.

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To: Jack Krakeel

From: Tim Jones TJ

Date: March 2, 2011

Subject: Yard Waste Grinding

In the attached email from Deborah Sims, the request was made to extend the vegetative debris grinding agreement for one additional year with Martin Edwards & Associates Inc., the company that was awarded by the Board the subject bid for yard waste grinding. Martin Edwards & Associates Inc. has agreed to extend the contract for twelve (12) additional months at the same price awarded with Bid #736, Yard Waste Grinding. The bid price of $1.20 per cubic yard will not change from March 2, 2011 through February 29, 2012. The not to exceed amount for yard waste grinding remaining in fiscal year 2011 is $8,952.00 and $80,000.00 for fiscal year 2012, contingent on budget approval.

I concur with Deborah's recommendation to extend the agreement for another year. If this recommendation to extend meets your approval, please place this item on the next available consent agenda. If any additional information is needed, please let me know.

TJ/tcb

Attachment

cc: Vanessa Birrell

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TO: Jack Krakeel

FROM: Vanessa Birrell

SUBJECT: Vegetative Debris Grinding Bid, #736

DATE: March 12, 2010

Grinding of yard waste debris has historically been conducted on a biannual basis. However, after receiving bids in September 2009, that were not in line with the approved 2010 grinding budget a decision was made not to grind and further explore self-sustaining grinding options.

Staff reached out to regional and local biofuel/biomass consumers and public entities to identify biomass suppliers. Phone and field discussions with different suppliers identified their number one concern which was the need for a constant supply of biofuel.

Grinding Bid #736 is structured to be 2-year contract (renewal option) to accommodate the bidder wanting a long-term contract to secure a constant supply of biofuel. As stated in the Scope-of-Work, the contract is to be implemented in two phases. The initial phase is to turn-key grind the bulk of debris accumulation. The 2nd phase is to grind the remainder on an ongoing basis allowing the bidder to remove all ground material, leaving only enough to supply free mulch to County residents throughout the contract period and six months thereafter.

Martin Edwards & Associates, Inc. bid lowest for both Phase I (by $2,400) and Phase II (by $.35) of work. Local biofuel suppliers were among the companies submitting bids for grinding services. Although bidders were given the opportunity to quote $0.00 to grind on an ongoing basis after performing Phase I grinding, none did as the tally sheet indicates.

CC: Tony Parrott, Director of Utility Services
Tim Jones, Director of Purchasing