VILLAGE OF LOMBARD REQUEST FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES ACTION

For Inclusion on Board Agenda
Bids and Proposals

TO :	President and Village Board of Trustees
FROM :	William T. Lichter, Village Manager
DATE :	<u>April 11, 2005</u> Agenda Date: <u>April 21, 2005</u>
TITLE :	Bid Waiver for: <u>Tree Planting</u>
SUBMITTED BY:	Steven Kremske, Forestry/Electrical/Streets Supervisor
Total Number of Bids	ders Meeting Specifications
Waiver of Bids Reque If yes, explain:	ested? X Yes No
Amount of Award \$3 \$50	adget estimate \$85,000.00
If yes, was quality of v Was item bid in accord	dance with Public Act 85-1295? Yes X No c Act 85-1295 does not apply X Yes
Village Attorney XX_	Date
Finance Director XX	
Village Manager XX_	Florand Thood Date 4/13/05

NOTE: All materials must be submitted to and approved by the Village Manager's Office by 12:00 noon, Wednesday, prior to the Board Agenda distribution.

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Subject:

Tree Consortium Bid waiver

On August 4, 1988, the Village Board approved participation in the Suburban Tree Consortium. Representing 32 member communities, this organization handles the tree planting bid process in accordance with State of Illinois law. As a member, the Village must commit to a lead-time of five years for the purchase of trees grown based upon projected orders for trees.

\$35,000.00 is currently budgeted for parkway tree planting for FY05/06. This figure represents approximately 225 trees that will be planted in the Fall 2005 and the Spring 2006. As a formality, the Village Attorney has recommended waiving bids and approval of this payment.

On March 18, 1999, the Village Board approved the planting of parkway trees through the Consortium on *Capital Improvement Projects* as part of projects on the CIP budget. It is estimated that approximately \$50,000.00 will be allocated in the CIP budget for tree planting on projects this fiscal year.

The Suburban Tree Consortium provides top quality trees grown specifically for parkway conditions. We have received a superior product in the past and recommend waiver of bids in an amount not to exceed \$85,000.00 for trees from the Suburban Tree Consortium.

Please place this item on the Village Board agenda for April 21, 2005. If you have any questions, feel free to call Keith Surges or me.

cc: Keith Surges, Operations Superintendent