

1 **BILL NO. S-26-04-08**

2 **SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. S-_____**

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4 **AN ORDINANCE** approving the awarding of #ITB
5 #4559 & RFQ #8956723 - CITY OF FORT WAYNE
6 MOWING AND WEED CONTROL CONTRACTS by
7 the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its
8 Department of Purchasing and GIFTED HANDS
9 PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC - \$130,264.39;
10 WORX COMPANIES, LLC - \$169,923.74; SDG, LLC -
11 \$221,112.80 for the PROPERTY MANAGEMENT
12 DEPARTMENT.

13 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF**
14 **THE CITY OF FORT WAYNE, INDIANA;**

15 **SECTION 1.** That ITB #4559 & RFQ #8956723 - CITY OF FORT WAYNE
16 MOWING AND WEED CONTROL CONTRACTS between the City of Fort Wayne,
17 by and through its Department of Purchasing and GIFTED HANDS PROPERTY
18 MANAGEMENT LLC - \$130,264.39; WORX COMPANIES, LLC - \$169,923.74;
19 SDG, LLC- \$221,112.80 for the PROPERTY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT,
20 respectfully for:

21 mowing and weed control contracts for 2026;
22 involving a total cost of FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-ONE THOUSAND THREE
23 HUNDRED AND 93/100 DOLLARS – (\$521,300.93: GIFTED HANDS
24 PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC - \$130,264.39; WORX COMPANIES, LLC -
25 \$169,923.74; SDG, LLC- \$221,112.80) all as more particularly set forth in said #ITB
26 #4559 & RFQ #8956723 - CITY OF FORT WAYNE MOWING AND WEED
27 CONTROL CONTRACTS which is on file in the Office of the Department of
28 Purchasing, and is by reference incorporated herein, made a part hereof, and is
29 hereby in all things ratified, confirmed and approved.
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COUNCIL DIGEST SHEET

Enclosed with this introduction form is a tab sheet and related material from the vendor(s) who submitted bid(s). Purchasing Department is providing this information to Council as an overview of this award.

RFPs, BIDS, OTHER PROJECTS

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| Bid/RFP#/Name of Project | ITB #4559 & RFQ #8956723 City of Fort Wayne Mowing and Weed Control |
| Awarded To | Gifted Hands Property Management LLC Worx Companies LLC SDG LLC |
| Amount | Gifted Hands = \$130,264.39 annually Worx Companies = \$169,923.74 annually SDG LLC = \$221,112.80 annually |
| Conflict of interest on file? | Yes |
| Number of Registrants | N/A |
| Number of Bidders | 11 |
| Required Attachments | |

EXTENSIONS

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| Date Last Bid Out | ITB #4559 = 2020, RFQ #8956723 = 2024 |
| # Extensions Granted To Date | ITB #4559 = 4, RFQ #8956723 = 2 |

SPECIAL PROCUREMENT

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| Contract #/ID (State, Federal, Piggyback--Authority) | |
| Sole Source/ Compatibility Justification | |

BID CRITERIA *(Take Buy Indiana requirements into consideration.)*

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| Most Responsible, Responsive Lowest | Yes <i>If no, explain below</i> |
| If not lowest, explain | |

COUNCIL DIGEST SHEET

COST COMPARISON

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| <i>Increase/decrease amount from prior years For annual purchase (if available).</i> | Gifted Hands' amount increased \$894.04 from 2025 Worx Companies' amount increased \$4,025.94 from 2025 SDG LLC's amount decreased \$929.51 from 2025 |
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DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT / NEED

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| <i>Identify need for project & describe project, attach supporting documents as necessary.</i> | Mowing of City & City Utility owned properties |
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REQUEST FOR PRIOR APPROVAL

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| <i>Provide justification if prior approval is being requested.</i> | N/A |
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FUNDING SOURCE

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| <i>Account Information.</i> | Gifted Hands & Worx Companies = Community Development CEDIT Funds |
| | SDG = Fort Wayne City Utilities Funds |
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CITY OF FORT WAYNE

SHARON TUCKER, MAYOR

April 9, 2026

City Council Members
City of Fort Wayne

RE: 2026 Mowing Contracts

Dear Council Members:

The City has requested and received bids for the 2020-2021 Mowing and Weed Control contracts. The following contractors have agreed to extend their 2020-2021 prices for the 2026 mowing season for the majority of their contracts. There was one contract that was rebid in 2024 which is included in the amounts below.

We are recommending contracts be awarded to; Gifted Hands Property Management LLC in the amount of \$130,264.39, Worx Companies LLC in the amount of \$169,923.74, and SDG LLC in the amount of \$221,112.80.

We are asking for Council approval of these contracts. The funds for the expenditures will be appropriated out of the Community Development CEDIT funds for Gifted Hands and Worx Companies, and out of Fort Wayne City Utilities funds for SDG.

If you have any questions on the above, please feel free to contact me at 427-2317.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Carmichael".

Christopher Carmichael
Property Manager

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