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Alder David Maack, Chair
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Re: Waive Formal Bidding for 2026 brush removal and wood chipping services

I am requesting that formal bidding procedures be waived for brush grinding and wood chipping services. Mobile Reduction has provided these services for the City of Racine for approximately the last decade plus. They are local, and provide impeccable service while keeping their prices lower than their competitors. I recommend that formal bidding procedures be waived and that DPW be approved to move forward utilizing Mobile Reduction's services. Yearly costs for this service is approximately \$180,000.

Funding to defray the cost of these services is available in 2026 Org-Object 22140-52200 Contracted Services.

Sincerely,

Ron Pritzlaff
Assistant Commissioner of Public Works