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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Michael Smith, Public Works Director
Date: August 10, 2020
Subject: **Funding Authorization for Tree Removal on the Spalding Drive at Chamblee Dunwoody Road Intersection Project**

ITEM DESCRIPTION

Authorization of up to \$61,000 for Atlanta Premier Tree Solutions to remove trees for construction of improvements at Spalding Drive and Chamblee Dunwoody Road

BACKGROUND

The city contracted with Atlanta Premier Tree Solutions in June to begin removing trees in preparation for utility relocation and construction of improvements at the Spalding Drive and Chamblee Dunwoody Road intersection. The initial phase of clearing occurred north of the intersection and cost \$24,000. For the subsequent phases of clearing the city obtained 3 quotes as follows:

Contractor	Phase 2 Cost	Phase 3 Cost	Total
Atlanta Premier Tree Solutions	\$6,000	\$25,250	\$31,250
Freeman’s Tree Care	\$7,600	\$26,380	\$33,980
B.E.L.L. Management	\$18,912	\$48,736	\$67,648

Based on these quotes the city has continued to utilize Atlanta Premier Tree Solutions for the additional phases of clearing. With the completion of Phase 3, the total contract value of \$55,250 will exceed the City Manager’s approval authority.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff requests authorization of up to \$55,250 for tree removal by Atlanta Premier Tree Solutions plus a 10% contingency to be administered by staff on an as needed basis.