

Nuisance Abatement Referrals and Pricing Effective April 25, 2018
Department of Housing and Neighborhood Preservation
Code Enforcement Division

Housing & Neighborhood Preservation's (DHNP) Code Enforcement Division enforces codes to help maintain the safety and appearance of the city's existing, privately owned structures and properties. Code Enforcement inspectors respond to complaints and patrol their assigned inspection zones for housing and property maintenance code violations. They notify property owners of violations and take appropriate action to obtain compliance.

The City is not a property management company and it is not responsible for performing maintenance work on private property. Property owners are responsible for ensuring their properties are maintained in accordance with state and local codes, and for taking the necessary action to abate code violations cited by inspectors within the specified timeframe.

If a property owner fails to abate code violations within the specified timeframe, the City may refer the property to an agent who will perform the necessary abatement work. All charges stemming from City ordered abatement work, including a \$150 administrative fee, are the responsibility of the property owner. Pursuant to Section 15.2-104 of the Code of Virginia, the invoice total may be recorded as a lien against the property to ensure funds spent abating code violations can be recovered by the City. Delinquent accounts shall accrue penalties and interest pursuant to Section 15.2-105 of the Code of Virginia and may be turned over to the City Treasurer for collection.

Property owners are responsible for confirming that their mailing address is up to date with the City Treasurer (ph. 757-385-8258) and for proactively maintaining their properties to avoid abatement charges and/or legal action. If there is an issue complying with a notice of violation, please contact the inspector immediately.

In April of 2018, the Purchasing Division of the Finance Department solicited bids for DHNP's nuisance abatement contract. Two companies submitted bids and the Code Enforcement Division executed a new contract with the lowest bidder, Green Alternatives, on April 25, 2018. Green Alternatives will perform the following nuisance abatement work:

1. Cutting and clearing overgrown grass and weeds in excess of 10 inches
2. Removing trash, junk and debris
3. Preparing tree debris prior to removal
4. Securing vacant, abandoned structures by boarding up doors and windows

The contract pricing is listed below:

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BID PRICING PAGE**

Bidder shall enter their prices to provide for the services specified herein in the spaces provided below. Quantity listed herein under items A and B are estimates only, and the actual total area to be cut or debris to be removed may vary. All lots and parcels are privately owned.

1. MOWING AND INCIDENTAL DEBRIS REMOVAL

a. \$ 100.00 Per Small Lot Mowing Fee (lots not exceeding 5,000 sq. ft.)

Total for above: \$ 20,000.00 ("a" x 200 est. jobs per year in this category)

b. \$ 0.02 Per Square Foot Standard Lot Mowing. (Lots greater than 5,000 sq. ft.)

Total for above: \$ 42,000.00 ("b" x 2,100,000 est. sq. ft. of mowing annually)

Price shall include the cost of mowing performed with standard mowing equipment (push mowers, riding mowers, bush hogs, and string trimmers), incidental debris removal and labor to operate the equipment. Incidental debris is defined as 100 pounds or less.

SECTION 1 TOTAL: \$ 62,000.00 (a+b=total)

2. DEBRIS REMOVAL

a. \$ 4.00 Per Pound Small Removal (jobs 100 lbs. and under where mowing has NOT been ordered. Estimated 10 jobs per year in this category)

Total for above: \$ 4,000.00 ("a" x 1000 lbs. est. annually)

b. \$ 0.40 Per Pound Standard Removal (jobs over 100 pounds)

Total for above: \$ 40,000.00 ("b" x 100,000 lbs. est. annually)

c. \$ 70.00 Per Hour cutting/prepping tree debris prior to removal.

Total for above: \$ 700.00 ("c" x 10 hours est. per year)

For sites where less than a ton (2,000 pounds) of debris, junk, trash and tires is removed a single weight ticket may be submitted for multiple sites; however in no case may more than three (3) sites be included on a single weight ticket.

For a site where a ton or more of debris, junk, trash and tires is removed, a single weight ticket for the site is required.

TOTAL FOR SECTION 2: \$ 44,700.00 (a+b+c=total)

3. **SECURING/BOARDING UP OF UNSAFE STRUCTURES**

- a. \$ 80.00 Per sheet of 4' x 8' x 1/2" COX plywood painted with exterior grade latex white paint (**prior to installation**) and secured with 2" galvanized deck screws every twelve (12) inches. Estimate is for 100 sheets per year installed from an estimated 30 jobs.

TOTAL FOR SECTION 3: \$ 8,000.00 ("a" above x 100)

4. **MOBILIZATION FEE**

- a. \$ 40.00 per Notice to Proceed (estimate is for 150 per year)

TOTAL FOR SECTION 4: \$ 6,000.00 ("a" above x 150)

A mobilization fee may only be charged if the work specified in a Notice to Proceed has already been completed when Contractor arrives at the site within seven (7) days of the Notice To Proceed.

Total of A, B, C, & D: \$ 120,700.00 (Place this figure on title page, Page 1)

Contract shall be awarded to the overall lowest responsive and responsible Bidder for items "A" through "D". Pricing shall remain firm and fixed for the entire contract period.