

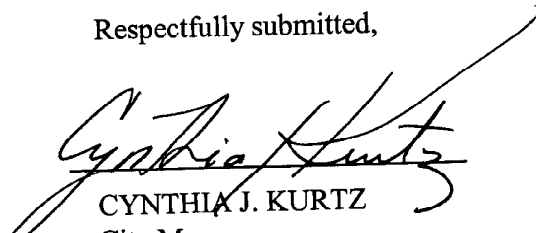
40% of the pruning workload. In addition, the larger logs and bulky material that is produced during this type of pruning continually overloads the smaller chippers, causing them to jam and stall. As a result, this material is often unable to be chipped and has to be either stored or hauled to the landfill.

In May of 2001, the Arizona Department of Transportation undertook a competitive bidding process for the purchase of an 1800A brush chipper. As a result of the bid process, Arizona awarded a contract to Vermeer. Vermeer has offered to extend this 2001 bid price to the City of Pasadena. By taking advantage of this opportunity the City will realize cost savings over the 2002 model year prices now being offered, as well as any staff costs incurred in a formal bid process. An additional benefit will be the immediate delivery of the chippers, whereas a formal bid process would delay delivery until the middle of the calendar year.

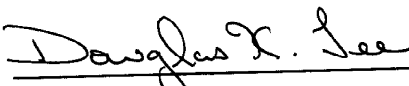
FISCAL IMPACT

This equipment is a budgeted replacement and funds in the amount of \$75,797 are available in the Equipment Replacement Fund, account #766300.

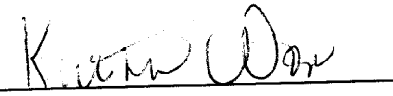
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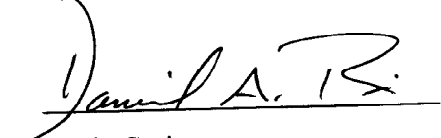
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