



RE: Ash tree removal

Dear Resident,

The emerald ash bore has arrived in Ely and deterioration of some ash trees is already evident. The city is contracting with Cy's Tree Service out of Anamosa to remove ash trees from two city parks, as well as the removal of several trees that are impacted by an upcoming project. You are receiving this letter because our records indicate that you have an ash tree(s) on your property. The Southbrook Covenants (Section V) put the responsibility of tree maintenance in the right-of-way on the property owner. In an effort to reduce the cost of removal per tree, for interested residents, the city is helping to organize a larger scale removal project that would result in more competitive pricing due to efficiencies of the contractor's equipment.

If you would like to utilize Cy's Tree Service while they are in town, please work directly with Cy Frommelt to acquire a bid. Tree removal will be completed by March 31st. To help reduce the cost even further, the city is allowing all tree debris created by Cy's Tree Service as part of this removal project, to be taken to Public Works versus being hauled to Linn County Waste.

Receiving this letter is not a requirement by the city for you to remove any trees at this time or utilize this specific service.

If you have any questions from a city perspective feel free to reach out to me at 319-848-4103 or cityadmin@elyiowa.com.

Eldy Miller
City Administrator