

RESOLUTION NO. 2026- 2416

**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A CONTRACT FOR LANDSCAPING AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES WITH MILIEU LANDSCAPING COMPANY, FOR THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON**

**WHEREAS**, the Village of South Barrington (“Village”) is a home rule unit of government and, pursuant to the provisions of Article VII, Section 6(a) of the Illinois Constitution, may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs, including, but not limited to, the power to enter into contracts; and

**WHEREAS**, the President of the Village (the “President”) and the Board of Trustees of the Village (collectively with the President, the “Corporate Authorities”) are committed to ensuring that the Village operates in a proper, efficient, and economical manner; and

**WHEREAS**, in the opinion of a majority of the corporate authorities of the Village of South Barrington, Illinois, (the “Village”) it is advisable, necessary, and in the public interest that the Village have a landscaping and maintenance service for beautification of areas within the Village (the “Project”); and

**WHEREAS**, on Monday, March 9, 2026, bid proposals for the Project were received, opened, and publicly read aloud at the Village Hall in South Barrington; a total of five (5) bids were received and read; the range of bids was from \$11,287.50 to \$190,692.00; the engineer’s estimate for the project was \$22,800.00; the low bidder did not have an in depth background of municipal work; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Engineer recommended Milieu Landscaping, which had municipal clients requiring similar services to the Village and all references gave excellent reviews; and

**WHEREAS**, the Corporate Authorities deem it advisable, necessary and in the public

interest for the Village to award a contract for the 2026 Landscaping and Maintenance Services to Milieu Landscaping in the amount of \$24,000.00, a copy of which contract documents are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of South Barrington, Cook County, Illinois, as follows:

**SECTION 1:** It is hereby determined that it is advisable, necessary and in the public interest that the Village award the contract for the 2026 Landscaping and Maintenance Services to Milieu Landscaping in the amount of \$24,000.00, as further detailed in the contract documents attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof.

**SECTION 2:** The Village President is hereby authorized and directed to execute and the Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to attest on behalf of the Village any necessary documents for said purchase.

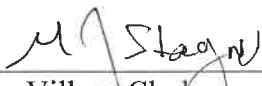
**SECTION 3:** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval in accordance with law.

PASSED: This 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026

APPROVED: This 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Marilyn Stagno, Village Clerk

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Paula McCombie, Village President

YEAS/AYES: 0

NAYS/NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 0

**EXHIBIT A**

(Contract Documents)

March 10, 2026

Mayor and Board of Trustees  
Village of South Barrington  
30 S. Barrington Road  
South Barrington, IL 60010

625 Forest Edge Drive, Vernon Hills, IL 60061

TEL 847.478.9700 ■ FAX 847.478.9701

www.gha-engineers.com

Re: 2026 Landscaping and Maintenance Services  
Bid Results and Recommendation for Award

Dear Mayor and Board of Trustees:

On Monday, March 9, 2026, bid proposals for the referenced project were received, opened, and publicly read aloud at the Village Hall in South Barrington. Enclosed is a detailed tabulation of the received bids, along with our Engineer's Estimate of Probable Cost (EOPC) for this work.

Below is the summary of bids received:

<u>Company Name</u>	<u>Bid Bond</u>	<u>Base Bid Amount</u>
Alvarez, Inc.	Y	\$11,287.50
Milieu Landscaping	Y	\$24,000.00
Apex Landscaping Inc.	Y	\$33,120.00
Mark 1 Landscaping	Y	\$42,000.00
GC Design Inc.	Y	\$190,692.00
Engineer's Opinion of Cost		\$22,800.00

A total of five (5) bids were received and read. The range of bids was from \$11,287.50 to \$190,692.00. The engineer's estimate for the project was \$22,800.00. Alvarez, Inc. was the low bidder but upon Village review of references submitted in the bid, Alvarez Inc. did not have an in depth background of municipal work. Since the Village could not obtain adequate feedback on relative experience we are recommending awarding the contract to Milieu Landscaping.

Milieu Landscaping had municipal clients requiring similar services to the Village of South Barrington requested scope and all references gave excellent reviews.

**We recommend that the Village Board authorize the award of a construction contract for the 2026 Landscaping and Maintenance Services to Milieu Landscaping in the amount of \$24,000.00.**

If you have any questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to call me at 847-821-6259 or email me at csmith@gha-engineers.com.

Sincerely,

Gewalt Hamilton Associates, Inc.



Carissa Smith, P.E.

Village Engineer

Gewalt Hamilton Associates

Encl: Tabulation of Bids



Client: Village of South Barrington  
 Project: 2026 Landscaping  
 GHA Project No: 6082.000  
 Project Manager: Carissa Smith

Bid Opening Date: 3/9/2026  
 Bid Opening Time: 10:00 AM  
 Bid Opening Location: 30 South Barrington Road, South Barrington, Illinois 60010

Item No.	Description	Qty	Unit	Engineer's Estimate of Provised Cost		Alvarez Inc.		Milieu Landscaping		Ayer Landscaping Inc.		Mark T Landscaping		GC Design Inc.	
				Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total
1	Weekly mowing, weeding, pruning of shrubs, litter clean-up, and weed control in the tree rings	1.0	LSUM	\$22,800.00	\$22,800.00	\$11,287.50	\$11,287.50	\$24,000.00	\$24,000.00	\$33,120.00	\$33,120.00	\$42,000.00	\$42,000.00	\$190,692.00	\$190,692.00
<b>Total Base Bid</b>					\$22,800.00	\$11,287.50	\$11,287.50	\$24,000.00	\$24,000.00	\$33,120.00	\$33,120.00	\$42,000.00	\$42,000.00	\$190,692.00	\$190,692.00
Hourly Rates for Additional Work				1.0	LSUM	\$175.00	\$175.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$65.00	\$65.00	\$175.00	\$175.00
							\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	



The Village of South Barrington  
30 S. Barrington Road, South Barrington, IL 60010  
(Village Hall) 847-381-7510 (Bldg. Department) 847-381-7513 (Fax) 847-381-0024

## VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON

### CONTRACT DOCUMENT

This agreement is made on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026, between and shall be binding upon the Village of South Barrington, an Illinois municipal Corporation hereinafter referred to as the "VILLAGE" and Milieu Landscaping hereinafter referred to as the "CONTRACTOR" and its successors. Witnessed that in consideration of the mutual promises of the parties delineated in the contract documents, the CONTRACTOR agrees to perform the services, and the VILLAGE agrees to pay for the following services as set forth in the contract documents:

The proposed work is officially known as "**2026 Landscaping and Maintenance Services**" and all as further described in the contract documents.

This contract shall be enforced and include the entire applicable contract documents as shown in the RFP document for **2026 Landscaping and Maintenance Services**.

1. The VILLAGE agrees to pay, and the CONTRACTOR agrees to accept as full payment such sums as delineated in accordance with the General Provisions.
2. The VILLAGE agrees to pay, and the CONTRACTOR agrees to accept as full payment the sums as delineated in accordance with the General Provisions.
3. The CONTRACTOR shall commence work under this Contract upon written Notice to Proceed from the VILLAGE.
4. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Mechanics' Lien Act of Illinois, prior to making any payment on this contract the VILLAGE demands that the CONTRACTOR furnish a written statement of the names of all parties furnishing labor and/or materials under this Contract and the amounts due or to become due on each. This statement must be made under oath or be verified by affidavit. Final payment shall not be issued by the VILLAGE nor shall any retained percentage become due until releases and waivers of lien have been supplied as the VILLAGE designates.
5. This Contract represents the entire Agreement between the parties and may not be modified without the written approval of both parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Village of South Barrington, Illinois by Paula McCombie, Village President, and the CONTRACTOR have hereunto set their hands this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026

If there is an individual or partnership, all individual names of each partner shall be signed or if a corporation, an officer duly authorized shall sign here:

Accepted this 17 day of March, 2026

BVF  
Milieu  
3-17-2026

By: B. V. Franks Brian V. Franks

Position / Title: President

Company Name: Milieu Landscaping

THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON, ILLINOIS

Accepted this 12 day of March, 2026

Paula McCombie  
Paula McCombie, Village President

Marilyn Stagno  
Attest: Marilyn Stagno, Village Clerk



# MILIEU

## LANDSCAPING

525 Enterprise Parkway  
Lake Zurich, IL 60047  
Office: 847-465-1160 Fax: 847-465-1159  
Email: [hello@milieuland.com](mailto:hello@milieuland.com)  
Website: <http://milieuland.com>

March 6, 2026

Subject: Village of South Barrington 2026 Landscaping and Maintenance Services Proposal

Dear Mr. Ryan Murphy

Thank you for considering Milieu for Landscape Services in 2026.

As a long-term service provider to the South Barrington Park District, Milieu is committed to finding efficiencies in our operations and passing them along to the Village. We feel that it is our responsibility to the Village. Our attached proposal represents our professional expertise.

While making your decision, please consider the following:

- Milieu has a perfect safety record with the South Barrington Park District
- Milieu has a work force of over 110 members locally
- Milieu offers comprehensive landscape services
- Milieu is highly responsive and flexible to staff guidance, redirection, and requests

I do appreciate your consideration and welcome discussing this with you further. Please let me know the next steps.

*Brian V. Frank*  
Brian Frank  
President

*B.V. Frank*  
3-6-26

*Bid Bond &  
Insurance  
Enclosed*

VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON  
BID PROPOSAL

I/We hereby agree to provide the Village of South Barrington with all necessary materials, equipment, labor, etc. to complete Landscaping and Maintenance Services in accordance with provisions, instructions, and specifications of the Village of South Barrington for the prices as follows:

1. INVITATION TO BID - CONTRACTOR INFORMATION

Company Name: Milieu Design LLC

Address: 525 Enterprise Pkwy

City, State, Zip Code: Lake Zurich IL 60047

Signed on this 3<sup>RD</sup> day of March, 2026

If a corporation, an officer duly authorized should sign and attach corporate seal.

PLACE CORPORATE SEAL HERE

By: B. V. Frank

Print Name: B. V. Frank

Position / Title: President

Company Name: Milieu Landscaping

Address: 525 Enterprise Parkway

City, State, Zip Code: Lake Zurich, IL 60047

Phone / Email: 847-465-1160 Hello@milieuland.com

3-6-26

Milieu Landscaping  
525 Enterprise Parkway  
Lake Zurich, IL 60047

Brian Frank brian@milieu.land.com

**BID PROPOSAL**

Weekly mowing, weeding, pruning of shrubs, litter clean-up, and weed control in the tree rings

**Conservancy: (Location 2)**

- Weekly mowing of the park
- Bridges Drive and the islands

**Water Treatment Plant: (Location 3)**

- All areas
- Adding (3) lawn applications per year

**Village Hall: (Location 1)**

- Weekly mowing of village property at village hall. The property associated at the main building and the drainage ditch behind village hall
- Field directly south of village hall and the lot directly west of the parking lot
- Adding (3) lawn applications per year

Monthly mowing, weeding, and pruning along

- **Arboretum Path (Location 4)** – Mow along the Arboretum path.
- Conservancy – Mow/Prune/Trim paths
- **Lift Station (Location 5)** – Location on Studio Drive at the southwest corner of the AMC
- **Lift Station (Location 6)** - Bartlett Road

Spring and Fall Clean-up locations:

- Village Hall
- Water Treatment Plant

twenty-four thousand and 00/100 dollars

**BASE BID TOTAL: \$ 24,000.00**

Hourly Rates for Additional Work:

\$ 60.00 / HOUR

Any and all exceptions to these specifications MUST be clearly and completely indicated on the bid sheet. Attach additional pages if necessary.

NOTE TO BIDDERS: Please be advised that any exceptions to these specifications may cause your bid to be disqualified. Submit bids by SEALED ENVELOPE ONLY. Fax and e-mail bids are not acceptable and will not be considered.

2. Equipment: Attach a list of equipment which the bidder proposes to use in this contract. Indicate if the bidder owns the equipment or plans to rent or otherwise has access to use.

3. IDA EAB Compliance Agreement attached?

YES  NO

## CONTRACTOR'S CERTIFICATION FORM

The assurances hereinafter made by the Contractor are each a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed by the Village of South Barrington in entering into the contract with the Contractor. The Village of South Barrington may terminate the contract if it is later determined that the Contractor rendered a false or erroneous assurance, and the surety providing the performance bond shall be responsible for the completion of the contract.

I, Brian Frank, hereby certify that I am the President of Milieu Landscaping  
(Name of President) (Name of Contractor)  
(the "Contractor") and as such, hereby represent and warrant to the Village of South Barrington, a municipal corporation, that the Contractor and its shareholders holding more than five percent (5%) of the outstanding shares of the corporation, its officers and directors are:

- a) not delinquent in the payment of taxes to the Illinois Department of Revenue in accordance with 65 ILCS 5/11-42.1-1.
- b) not barred from contracting as a result of a violation of either Section 33E-3 (bid rigging) or 33E-4 (bid, Rotating) of the Criminal Code of 1961 (720 ILCS 5/33E-3 and 5/33E-4);
- c) not in default, as defined in 5ILCS 385/2, on an educational loan, as defined in 5ILCS 385/1.

In addition, the Contractor hereby represents and warrants to the Village of South Barrington, that:

- a) the Contractor has reviewed and will comply with all (applicable) laws relating to the payment of general prevailing wages in accordance with the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130/0.01 *et seq.*);
- b) the Contractor has and will comply with all laws relating to the employment preference to veterans in accordance with the Veterans Preference Act (330 ILCS 55/0.01 *et seq.*);
- c) the Contractor has and will comply with all laws relating to the employment of Illinois workers in accordance with the Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act (30 ILCS 570/1 *et seq.*);
- d) the Contractor, pursuant to 30 ILCS 580/1 *et seq.* (A Drug-Free Workplace Act), will provide a drug-free workplace by:

(1) Publishing a statement:

- i. Notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance including cannabis, -is prohibited in the Contractor's workplace.
- ii. Specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.

- iii. Notifying the employee that, as a condition of employment on such Contract, the employee will;
    - Abide by the terms of the statement;
    - Notify the employer of any criminal drug statute conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five (5) fays after such conviction;
- (2) Establishing a drug-free awareness program to inform employees about:
    - i. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace.
    - ii. The Contractor's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace.
    - iii. Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance program; and
    - iv. The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug violations.
  - (3) Making it a requirement to give a copy of the statement required by Subsection (D)(1) to each employee engaged in the performance of the Contract, and to post the statement in a prominent place in the workplace.
  - (4) Notifying the Village within ten (10) days after receiving notice under paragraph (D)(1)e from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction.
  - (5) Imposing a sanction on or requiring satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation by any employee who is so convicted, as required by 30 ILCS 580/5.
  - (6) Assisting employees in selecting a course of action in the event drug counseling treatment and rehabilitation is required and indicating that a trained referral team is in place.
  - (7) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of this section.
- e) The Contractor has not excluded and will not exclude from participation in, denied the benefits of, subjected to discrimination under, or denied employment to any person in connection with any activity funded under the contract on the basis of race, color, age, religion, national origin, disability or sex;
  - f) The Contractor, at the time of Contractor submitted a Proposal on this contract, had an Illinois Department of Human Rights pre-qualification number or had a properly completed application for same on file with the Illinois Department of Human Rights, as provided for in 44 Illinois Administrative Code 750.210;
  - g) No Village officer, spouse or dependent child of a Village officer, agent on behalf of any Village officer or trust in which a Village officer, the spouse or dependent

child of a Village officer or a beneficiary is a holder of any interest in the Contractor; or, if the Contractor's stock is traded on nationally recognized securities market, that no Village officer, spouse or dependent child of a Village officer, agent on behalf of any Village officer or a beneficiary is a holder of more than one percent (1%) of the Contractor, but if any Village officer, spouse or dependent child of a Village officer, agent on behalf of any Village officer or trust in which a Village officer, the spouse or dependent child of a Village officer or a beneficiary is a holder of less than one percent (1%) of such Contractor, the Contractor has disclosed to the Village in writing the name(s) of the holder of such interest.

- h) No officer or employee and no spouse or immediate family member living with any officer or employee of the Village has solicited any gratuity, discount, entertainment, hospitality, loan, forbearance, or other tangible or intangible item having monetary value including, but not limited to, cash, good and drink, and honoraria for speaking engagements related to attributable to the government employment or the official position of the employee or officer from the Contractor in violation of Section 1-8-6 of Chapter 8 of South Barrington Village Code; and
- i) The Contractor has not given any officer, employee, spouse or immediate family member living with any officer or employee of the Village any gratuity, discount, entertainment, hospitality, loan, forbearance, or other tangible or intangible item having monetary value including, but not limited to, cash, food and drink, and honoraria for speaking engagements related to or attributable to the government employment or the official position for the employee or officer in violation of Section 1-8-6 of Chapter 8 of the South Barrington Village Code.
- j) In compliance with the Substance Abuse Prevention on Public Works Projects Act (public Act 95-0635), the Contractor is a party to a collective bargaining agreement dealing with the subject matter of the Substance Abuse Prevention Public Works Projects Act or has in place and is enforcing a written program which meets or exceeds the program requirements of the Substance Abuse Prevention on Public Works Projects Act.
- k) Neither it nor any of its principals, shareholders, members, partners or affiliates, as applicable, is a person or entity named as a Specially Designated National and Blocked Person (as defined in Presidential Executive Order 13224) and that it is not active, directly or indirectly, for or on behalf of a Specially Designated National and Blocked Person and that the Contractor and its principals, shareholders, members, partners, or affiliates, as applicable, are not, directly or indirectly, engaged in, and are not facilitating, the transactions contemplated by this Agreement on behalf of any person or entity named as a Specially Designated National and Blocked Person.

If any certification made by the Contractor changes, the Contractor shall notify the Village of South Barrington in writing with seven (7) days.

Dated: March 3, <sup>2026</sup>~~2025~~

Contractor: Milieu Landscaping  
(Name of Contractor)

By: Brian Frank  
Brian Frank, President  
(Name of President)

STATE OF ILLINOIS            )  
  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF LAKE            )

I, the undersigned, a notary public in and for the State and County aforesaid, hereby certify that Brian Frank, known to me to be the President of Milieu Landscaping, appeared before me this day in person and, being first duly sworn oath, acknowledged that he executed the foregoing certification as his free act and deed.

Dated: March 4, 2026

Suzanne M. Wilson  
(Notary Public)

