

RESOLUTION NO. 2020- 343

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT RELATED TO HURRICANE ISAIAS, AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR SERVICES, MATERIAL, EQUIPMENT AND RELATED ITEMS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2020, Governor Murphy declared a state of emergency for the State of New Jersey due to Hurricane Isaias devastating effect on the State; and

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2020, Mayor Anthony Fanucci declared a local state of emergency due to Hurricane Isaias' destructive winds causing trees to uproot and large branches to fall along City roadways and sidewalks which adversely effects the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, Director of Public Works has indicated that City's material handling facility at S. Mill Road has almost reached its brush capacity due to the closure of the compost company where Public Works takes its brush; and

WHEREAS, because of the time and expense it would take to haul the brush and wood away, the Director has solicited quotes to have the large piles of brush and wood grinded leaving the wood chips to be hauled away at a later date, thus allowing for the immediate removal of storm debris posing safety issues throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, authorization is requested to contract with David B. Gates Inc., Cedarville, NJ for immediate grinding of brush and wood at the City's material handling facility, at a cost of \$53,200.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for the above emergency;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Vineland as follows:

1. That the Director of Public Works is hereby authorized and directed to contract with David B. Gates Inc., Cedarville, NJ, for immediate grinding of brush and wood at the City's material handling facility, at a cost of \$53,200.00.
2. That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized and directed to issue a purchase order to David B. Gates Inc., Cedarville, NJ, for immediate grinding of brush and wood at the City's material handling facility, at a cost of \$53,200.00.
3. That payment is hereby authorized pursuant to said purchase orders in accordance with procedures for payment of bills and demands heretofore established by Ordinance number 1048.

Adopted:

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President of Council

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

# FROM THE DESK OF MIGUEL A. MERCADO



August 6, 2020

MEMORANDUM TO BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION:

RE: Emergency Storm Debris

After reviewing Mark Guglielmi's emergency request I agree this should be handled as an emergency. The storm debris must be cleared from the roadways immediately as the current situation poses a safety hazard concern.

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 Emergency Contracts, I as the Purchasing Agent of the City of Vineland, agree that this situation can be a health, safety and welfare issue as defined by the NJ Public Contracts Law and should be declared an "Emergency".

I have instructed the Department to enter a requisition in the Edmunds Finance System to David B. Gates Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$53,200.00 for the immediate grinding of brush and wood at the material handling facility so as to allow the immediate removal of the storm debris posing a safety issue to residents and the public driving these roads.

Sincerely,

  
Miguel A. Mercado, QPA  
Purchasing Agent

Enclosures

## **Mercado Miguel**

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**From:** Guglielmi Mark  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 6, 2020 8:43 AM  
**To:** Mercado Miguel; Dickenson Bob; Fanucci Anthony R; Spinelli Paul  
**Cc:** Flaim Sharon; Baldosaro Susan M; Langley John  
**Subject:** Storm Debris

Hope everyone is well. This email is to inform you that the material handling facility at S. Mill Road has almost reached its brush capacity. Due to ReNature, where PW brings its brush, being closed for the last month the capacity to hold more brush has dwindled. This last storm has created a lot of knocked down trees, large branches in the roadways and sidewalks, and other debris which is creating a safety concern for the public. It would take too long and be much more expensive to haul the brush and wood away. Therefore, I have solicited 3 companies with Tub Grinders to give me a quote to grind the huge piles of brush and wood with the wood chips remaining on site to be hauled away at a later date by PW. I solicited David B Gates Inc., Stella Contracting Inc., and L & S Construction to give me a price to grind up the piles of brush at the material handling facility. L & S is the company Vineland used to grind the 14 brush sites we had to grind up during the derecho in 2013. They never gave me a quote. I called Ed Stella Jr. and he also never gave me a quote. Finally I called David Gates, he has ground up our brush before once when the pile of brush got too big. He has also screened street sweepings for us. He gave me a price of \$3,800.00/day for an eight hour day leaving the grindings on site. Seeing how I only have one quote and need to do an emergency requisition to get this brush ground up so the public and PW can remove brush from the roadways and sidewalks, I am recommending the City use David Gates Inc. to grind up the brush and wood at the material handling facility at \$3,800.00/day for an eight hour day. I am estimating it will take no more than 14 days to grind all the brush and big wood at the material handling facility. With your permission, I will have Sharon do a req. from the recycling grant monies at \$53,200.00. This req. will cover and not exceed 112 hours of grinding. Please let me know what the outcome of your decisions are. mark