

SECTION 4 – OPERATIONAL SERVICES REQUIREMENTS

4. Interplanted bulbs: No removal required. Refresh beds every 5 years or as directed by CMO.
5. Perennials: The NCC may also wish to adjust the location of perennials, both within beds and between perennial beds. Assume 5% of perennials (cumulatively over all beds) in perennial beds are to be replaced or moved annually.
6. General: All annuals to be replaced on an annual basis except in designated areas where replacement is every two years. All plant debris and soil shall be recycled for compost on a yearly basis.
7. General: The Contractor shall incorporate the cost related to the purchase of replacement or moved material into his/her Proposal.

Reconciliation:

- **For annuals and bulbs: Reconciliation will take place annually before the end of December.**

4.8.2 Tree Maintenance Program (also see 4.3.2) (all trees on the Lands of this contract)

4.8.2.1 Structural, Aesthetic and Maintenance Pruning

The contractor will be responsible for providing all of the services and materials listed below. All work to be performed by certified arborists and in accordance with arboriculture practices (International Society of Arboriculture) and using the appropriate equipment and materials. The contractor will provide these services at SOA rates (Appendix 2-A) up to a value of \$75,000 annually. At the end of each year of the Contract, the unused portion of the \$75,000 allowance shall be returned to the NCC through a reconciliation process or carried over to the next fiscal year at the NCC's sole discretion. Any amounts reconciled will be removed from one of the Contractor's subsequent monthly payments.

- Tree pruning (by climber). This includes structural/aesthetic pruning and the removal of dead/dying branches.
- Tree Cabling/Bracing
- Deep root watering
- Deep root fertilization (liquid)
- Deep root fertilization (granular)
- Vertical mulching
- Air spading
- Various other arboricultural tasks

4.8.2.2 Additional requirements

The contractor must identify a supervisor who will be responsible for the Tree Maintenance Program and the management of the trees on Confederation Boulevard (4.7.1.1). The supervisor will be required to meet with the NCC CMO and NCC arborist to discuss maintenance plans regularly, and to supervise all of the work performed within this program. This supervisor must be familiar with ISA Best Management Practices.