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SUBJECT—

Bid V04-135 Street Sweeper

SYNOPSIS—

The Wastewater Reclamation Facility (WRF) is requesting authorization to purchase a compact street sweeper from Eddy Walker EQ. Co. (4044 E 14th Des Moines IA.50313). Four (4) requests for bid were sent to prospective bidders, three (3) vendors responded with Eddy Walker EQ Co. being the lowest conforming bid; their bid was compliant in every aspect.

FISCAL IMPACT—

The total cost of the purchase is estimated at \$84,969. Funding is available under Fund Code EN 265, Organization PWK770151, and account 055269

RECOMMENDATION—

Approval

BACKGROUND—

Of the three Companies that bid, two demonstrated their sweepers and fully meet specifications. The WRF has many buildings that have paving adjoining the structure with protection barriers.

Standard sweepers cannot maneuver close enough to do a proper job. The intent of this purchase is to have a sweeper capable of pressure washing building fascia, vacuuming small spills and debris and doing a proper job of sweeping not only the streets but areas close to buildings. Both Tennant and Johnson/MadVac demonstrated these capabilities. The Tymco was not demonstrated and fails the minimum criteria of the specification requirements. Lowest bid fails to meet the following critical specifications

1 Pressurized Cab	2 Turning radius of 17 feet curb to curb
3 Capable of sweeping at top of curb level	4 Total view glass doors
5 Front rotary brush / joystick controlled brush	6 Brush movement which allows for sweeping obstacles
7 Operator control of brush pressure	