

Council Communication

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Agenda Item No. 38A Roll Call No. <u>15-0121</u>

Communication No.

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AGENDA HEADING:

Approving the purchasing of one (1) compact mini excavator with attachments for use by the Department of Public Works, Sewers Division.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend the purchase of a compact tracked mini excavator with attachments for use by the Department of Public Works, Sewers Division in compliance with bid specifications in Bid No. V15-066 from the low compliant bidder, Capital City Equipment, 5461 NW 2nd Street Des Moines, Iowa 50313, Mark Kruse Owner, in the amount of \$73,461.02.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$73,461.02

Funding Source: 55% PW247411/ Sanitary Sewer Maintenance, Fiscal Year (FY) 2014/15 Operating

Budget, page 221; 45% PW247413 Storm Sewer Maintenance, FY 2014/15, page 230.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Eleven bids were mailed to equipment suppliers and four (4) bids were received. The low bid from Star Equipment, LTD was not compliant to the specification of a hydraulic extendable boom. This specified feature provides increased efficiency in the operation of the equipment and is available from the next lowest bidder, Capital City Equipment. Therefore, the recommendation for award is to the low compliant bidder, Capital City Equipment. Like or similar excavators available from existing national or state purchasing contracts do not include attachments; therefore, the unit and accessories were bid together.

This equipment is an addition to the fleet and will minimize the need to rent similar equipment throughout the year for use in various excavation projects among multiple departments. It will also eliminate the need to replace a full-sized excavator at an estimated cost of \$210,000. The full-sized machine will be retained for use on larger projects and eliminate the need to rent full-sized machines when necessary.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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