

## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	<b>20-500</b>	Meeting:	<b>November 23, 2020</b>
	Agenda Item:	<b>63</b>	Roll Call:	<b>20-1976</b>
	Submitted by:	<b>Nickolas Schaul, Finance Director</b>		

### AGENDA HEADING:

On the proposition to authorize and enter into a lease agreement in the principal amount not-to-exceed \$130,000, for the purpose of acquiring certain items of equipment for winter snow removal consisting of (3) three motor graders and one (1) bulldozer.

### SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approving the rental of up to three (3) motor graders for up to four (4) months and one (1) bulldozer for three (3) months from December 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021, for use by the Department of Public Works Street Maintenance Division in emergency snow and ice control operations utilizing the OMNIA purchasing contract number 161534 from Ziegler CAT Inc., 1500 Ziegler Drive, Altoona, IA 50009, William Hoeft, President in the amount of \$130,000.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$130,000

Funding Source: 2020-2021 Operating Budget, E360 PW240402 Street Maintenance, page 234

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The City owns three (3) full-size, and two (2) compact motor graders for use in scheduled road maintenance in the warm weather months and emergency snow and ice control operations in winter months. The availability of six (6) full-size units is necessary for emergency snow and ice control operations. Equipment replacement funding is insufficient to replace and own all equipment needed for emergency snow and ice control operations. Purchase costs for motor graders meeting the specifications for emergency snow and ice control operations would require an expenditure of \$300,000 per unit.
- A tracked bulldozer is necessary to maintain operations at the public and City snow dump site during snow loading and hauling operations. The extent of need during this operation exceeds the capacity of existing City-owned tracked dozer equipment. Due to the age, condition and costs of owning replacement equipment, rental units are required for emergency snow and ice control operations.

- Renting equipment for seasonal use has been adopted when feasible and affordable pricing in the market exists. Up to three (3) motor patrol graders and one (1) tracked bulldozer are necessary to supplement the City's fleet of emergency snow and ice control equipment for the duration of the winter to meet the Department of Public Works level of service for 100% availability of full-size units throughout the emergency snow and ice control season. The necessary equipment is available on the already established OMINA contract available for City use. Due to the demand for rental units by other entities, motor patrol graders must be retained all winter to guarantee availability for emergency snow and ice control events.
- Rent and return on demand for emergency snow and ice control operations is not available. Therefore, award for rental of additional equipment is recommended to secure the necessary equipment from December 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021 using the OMNIA purchasing contract.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: November 23, 2015

Roll Call Number: [15-2018](#)

Action: [On Lease Agreement with Murphy Tractor and Equipment Company for the rental of up to four motor graders for a four-month period to be used by the Public Works Department. \(Council Communication No. 15-608\)](#) Moved by Moore to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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