

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: Utility Tractor Backhoe and Attachments

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend that a purchase order be issued to the John Deere Company in the amount of \$16,313.42 for the purchase of a utility tractor and attachments.

This vendor meets all requirements of §14.23, "Vendors", of "Purchasing, Contracting, and Selling Procedure," of Chapter 14, "Finance and Purchasing, of "Title 1, "General Provisions" of the Saginaw Code of Ordinances O-1.

Funds for this purchase are budgeted in the Water Surplus Maintenance Equipment Account No. 591-4740-881.97-41.

Justification:

The Water Treatment Division purchased a compact utility tractor with only the front-end loader attachment in fiscal year 2009. The rear backhoe and associated attachments were not purchased at the time and the full capability of the utility tractor is not possible without the backhoe. The utility tractor allows the maintenance employees to more efficiently work on landscaping projects that are needed on the plant grounds, at the Kochville station and other outlying stations. The backhoe and attachments are being purchased using State Bid Pricing from John Deere, which allows for a 24% discount off the price of the equipment.

Council Action:

Council_____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.