# Agenda Report



MEETING DATE: Tuesday, September 27, 2022

- **TO: City Council**
- FROM: PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DIRECTOR DI RENZO JOHN MORENO, FIELD SERVICES CREW LEADER
- THROUGH: CITY MANAGER MENDEZ

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION FOR A PURCHASE ORDER OF A JOHN DEERE 6130M TRACTOR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$249,581.21

# **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing a purchase order of a John Deere 6130M Tractor with a mounted Tiger Bengal Brute Mower, from Municipal Maintenance Equipment, through the purchasing authority of Sourcewell (formerly NJPA), purchasing agreement No. 070821-TGR.

### BACKGROUND:

The Field Services Division utilizes and depends heavily on equipment such as tractors to complete routine maintenance of City-owned parcels of land.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The Field Services Division's primary responsibilities include the maintenance of City parcels of land. The purchase of a new John Deere 6130M Tractor with a mounted Tiger Bengal Brute Mower is essential to the Division's mowing program which includes over 200 acres of open space, the Pajaro River Levee, the trail system and numerous rights-of-way. Moreover, mowing is essential to the City's annual "fuel load" reduction for fire prevention during the summer.

The Division's current 1997 John Deere tractor has exceeded its useful life and is recurrently out of service. Finding replacement parts is time consuming which creates serious issues when the tractor breaks down during critical times of the year such as fall nesting season and summer fire season. The tractor, when operable, is also used to clear vegetation in channels, ditches and outlets in preparation for the rainy season in order to allow water to flow through unobstructed for flood prevention. The John Deere 6130M tractor is also vital to the Division's inventory for Stormwater Maintenance Best Management Practices.

# STRATEGIC PLAN:

This purchase supports Strategic Plan Priority:

3 - Infrastructure and Environment

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Sufficient funds are available in this fiscal year's CIP budget in account 740-912-7805-15057.

### **ALTERNATIVE ACTION:**

City Council may decide not to approve the purchase request or may direct staff to continue utilizing the current John Deere tractor which is not recommended for the reasons stated above.

# ATTACHMENTS AND/OR REFERENCES (If any):

1) Vendor Quote

- 2) Sourcewell Documentation
- 3) Sourcewell Contract No. 070821-TGR