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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council Members

Cc: Gregg Mandsager, City Administrator
Dave Gobin, Director of Community Development

From: Adam Thompson, Community Development Coordinator

Date: March 13, 2018

Re: Request Approval to Purchase Airport Zero Turn Mower

INTRODUCTION: On September 28, 2017, the zero-turn mower at the Muscatine Municipal Airport caught fire. The previous mower at the airport was 10+ years old and was having issues with the hydraulic system.

The zero-turn lawn mower is used to mow along the sides of the runway, around the runway lights, and the front lawn area. Carver Aero does all of the required mowing with the zero-turn mower as a part of the FBO Management Agreement.

BACKGROUND: The Community Development Office received 12 bids for a new zero-turn mower with specifications requested for a zero-turn mower with options for a larger deck, more house power and larger fuel tank. Bids were publicly opened on March 1, 2018. The revised FYE 2018 budget has \$10,100 budgeted for this purchase.

After reviewing bids, 5 included the accepted options. City Tractor Co. is the lowest bidder of those that bid the options. The Gravely Pro-Turn 272 mower meets the accepted options and larger bid specifications. The total bid price is \$9,746.50. This purchase is \$353.50 under the budgeted amount.

RECOMMENDATION/RATIONALE: Staff recommends the City Council authorize issuance of a purchase order to City Tractor Co. in the amount of \$9,749.50 for the purchase of a Gravely Pro-Turn 272 Zero-Turn Mower.

Bid Tab Attached

"I remember Muscatine for its sunsets. I have never seen any
on either side of the ocean that equaled them" — Mark Twain

Muscatine Airport Zero Turn Mower Bid Tabulation

Muscatine Lawn and Power

Hustler X-One	\$8,902.56	No Options
Hustler Super Z	\$10,621.00	w/ Options \$11,361.00

Kunau Implement

Kubota ZG327	\$8,999.00	No Options
Cub Pro Z 560L	\$8,559.15	No Options

QC Power

Toro Zmaster 6000	\$10,654.00	w/ 72" Deck \$11,087.00
Toro Zmaster 5000	\$9,214.00*	No Options
Toro Zmaster 3000	\$8,094.00*	No Options

Harnack Company

Grasshopper 329B/61	\$10,702.00	Options included in price
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Iowa Farm Equipment

Gravely Pro-Turn 260	\$9,687.00	29hp \$10,202
Gravely Pro-Turn 460	\$10,982.00	No Options

City Tractor Co.

Gravely Pro-Turn 260	\$8,996.00	No Options
Gravely Pro-Turn 272	\$9,746.50	Options included in price 72" deck

**Does not meet specification requirements*