

September 2, 2014

To: Mayor Bemrich and City Council

From: David Fierke, City Manager

**Subject: Forestry mowers
Agree to Purchase**



ACTION: For Vote Monday, September 8, 2014

Brief History

This equipment is budgeted for FY 15. In 2012 we started an equipment replacement program for the RUT mowers that included trading in every year prior to the warranty expiring. This planning process was the result of our mowing kaizen that identified mowing areas, practices, staffing levels, maintenance and equipment. This purchase falls in line with our program.

Analysis of Issue

The department solicited bids for **two** zero-turn style mowers. This equipment is used in right-of-way mowing as well as some park mowing. We will be trading in a 2009 Kubota (this is our back up parks mower) **and** 2012 Gravely (first of the newer mowers to be traded prior to warranty expiration) mowers. Our specifications included a 2 year commercial warranty as well as the ability to provide a replacement mower within 48 hours if a mower was removed from the fleet for warranty work.

Past practice of equipment replacement was budgeting \$15,000 every other year for mowers. This new method of equipment rotation will save the department approximately \$7000 every other year for mowers as well as the realized savings in equipment repairs which now is obsolete with the commercial warranty and trade-in value of the mowers.

Company	Bid	Trade-in	Total
K. C. Nielsen, LTD Warranty: 1500 hours/3 years	\$29,076.40	\$13,000.00	\$16,076.40
Cassidy Bros Warranty: 1000 hours/3 years	\$33,998.00	\$18,148.00	\$15,850.00
RJ Material	Did not meet specs		

It is the recommendation to go with K.C. Nielsen, LTD, due to the extended warranty and trade-in value of John Deere mowers.

Budget Impact

Budget approved funds from RUT Forestry for \$10,000. We will fund remaining balance of \$6,076.40 from Parks Capital Improvement funds.

Impact on Existing Plans

NA

Strategic Plan Impact

Policy B.1.8

In addition to developer support for parks development, the city shall seek a consistent, ongoing source of funding for park improvements and maintenance.

Comprehensive Plan Impact

This purchase is in our 5 year capital plan for equipment replacement.

Subcommittee or commission Review/Recommendation

NA

Staff Conclusions/Recommendations

Approve purchase from K.C. Nielsen, LTD.

Alternatives

1. Replace one mower this year and expect equipment repairs to increase on the other two mowers.

Implementation and Accountability

Delivery date October 1, 2014.

Signed

Approved



Lori Branderhorst
Director
Parks, Recreation and Forestry

David Fierke
City Manager



CITY OF
FORT DODGE
Department of Parks, Recreation & Forestry

August 4, 2014

RE: One New 2014 Zero Turn Mower

Dear Vendor:

The Fort Dodge Parks & Forestry Department is purchasing one (1) new 2014 zero-turn mower. Please note this will be an October 1st delivery date with payment to follow. We will be trading in one 2009 Kubota F3080 Diesel out front mower with a 72" deck, serial # 10316. This mower may be viewed Monday-Friday from 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at 1450 Oleson Park Avenue.

Sealed bids are due at the City Clerk's Office located at 819 1st Avenue South, Fort Dodge, IA, 50501, by 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 2, 2014. Please mark sealed envelope "**Parks & Forestry Mower Bid**".

Feel free to contact Kevin Lunn, Parks & Forestry Superintendent, at (515) 302-4994 or Rich Peterson (515) 570-4626 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Kevin Lunn
Parks & Forestry Superintendent

Attachment



CITY OF FORT DODGE
 Department of Parks, Recreation & Forestry

Fort Dodge

August 4, 2014

TO: City Clerk's Office
 819 1st Avenue South
 Fort Dodge, IA 50501

RE: Parks & Forestry Mower Bid 2014

We submit the following quotation for furnishing one zero-turn style mower to the City of Fort Dodge Parks & Forestry Department, 819 1st Ave. South, Fort Dodge, IA 50501, meeting the following specifications (actual specifications of mower quoted is itemized on the blank lines below, if different than acceptable specifications):

<u>Acceptable Specification</u>	YES	NO
Engine:		
25 horsepower minimum - 31 HP	✓	—
Diesel Fueled	✓	—
Liquid Cooled	✓	—
Over-temperature Shutdown	✓	—
Electric Start	✓	—
Unit:		
Zero Turn	✓	—
12 gal. Fuel Capacity Minimum	✓	—
Highback Full Suspension Seat	✓	—
Hydrostatic Drive	✓	—
Foldable R.O.P.S.	✓	—
Hydraulic Oil Filter	✓	—
Hydraulic Oil Cooler	✓	—
Fuel Gauge	✓	—
Hour Meter	✓	—
Deck:		
7 gauge steel minimum	✓	—
3 Blade	✓	—
Blade Speed (Tip) 18,000 (Fpm)	✓	—
72" Cutting Width	✓	—
Side Discharge	✓	—

Municipal Building
 819 1st Avenue South
 Fort Dodge, IA 50501

515.576.7237 (Office)
 515.573.2894 (Fax)
 fortododgeiowa.org/parks

	YES	NO
Warranty: 2 Year Commercial - <u>3yr 1500 hr</u>	<u>✓</u>	___
During warranty period, a comparable loaner mower must be available to the City of Fort Dodge beyond 24 hours from break down, until the warranty issue is resolved.	<u>✓</u>	___

We propose to furnish the above mower complete as specified for: \$ 14,538⁰⁰

Trade-In Allowance: \$ 7000⁰⁰

Total Bid: \$ 7538⁰⁰

Signed: Jeff Kamper

By: KC Nielsen Ltd

Date: 8-15-2014

Delivery Date by Wednesday, October 1, 2014.

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