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## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION City Manager's Office

### GENERAL INFORMATION

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Submitted by: William G. Stowe, Public Works

### SUBJECT—

Purchase of Two 56,000 GVWR Trucks and Accessory Equipment for the Wastewater Reclamation Facility (WRF)

### SYNOPSIS—

Four bids were received from two suppliers for the purchase of tandem axle trucks to be used at the WRF. The apparent low bid in the amount of \$181,754.00 from Truck Country, 4300 NE 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Des Moines, IA 50313, has been withdrawn. The apparent second low bid from O'Halloran Intl., Inc., 3311 Adventureland Drive, Altoona, IA 50009, in the amount of \$182,928.00 included a non-compliant snowplow. To achieve compliance, the vendor requests an additional \$2,500 per unit for a total add-on of \$5,000 to their bid for a total of \$187,928. Consequently, bid #2 from Truck Country in the amount of \$186,606 is low and is recommended.

### FISCAL IMPACT—

The low compliant bid for two trucks and accessory equipment is \$186,606.00 and is provided for in the current WRF operating budget.

### RECOMMENDATION—

Approval.

**BACKGROUND—**

The WRF plans to purchase two tandem axle, hook-loader-style trucks. Accessory equipment included with the trucks consists of snowplows, dump bodies, and specialized containers. The hook lift trucks with multiple service boxes provide a great deal of flexibility in multiple applications at the WRF. The two trucks will replace three existing dump body trucks that are 10 model years old.

Low Bid Rejected

The low bid submitted by Truck Country, in the amount of \$181,754.00, was withdrawn.

Apparent Second Low Bid Rejected

The apparent second low bid submitted by O'Halloran Intl., Inc., in the amount of \$182,908.00, required an add-on of \$5,000 for a total of \$187,908.00 in order to meet bid specifications requiring one of three approved snow plows: Schmidt, Monroe or Wausau.

Actual Second Low Bid Accepted

The fully compliant low bid submitted by Truck Country, in the amount of \$186,606.00, is recommended.