



October 3, 2012

## City Council Committee Report

**To: Mayor & Council**

**Fr: Richard Perchuk, Manager of Operations  
Mike Mostow, Fleet Supervisor**

**Re: New Mini Backhoe Excavator - 2012 Capital Budget**

### **Recommendation:**

That the following six (6) tenders for the supply and delivery of a new mini backhoe excavator (HST extra), be received;

Strongco	\$52,250.00
Nortrax	\$56,029.50
Nortrax	\$45,989.50
Hitrac (includes Steel Trailer)	\$44,062.00
Hitrac (includes Aluminum Trailer)	\$46,630.00
Stratton Equipment	\$43,438.02; and further

That the quotation for the supply and delivery of a new mini backhoe excavator received from Hitrac, which includes an aluminum trailer in the amount of \$46,630.00, HST extra, be hereby accepted.

### **Background:**

As part of the 2012 Capital equipment plan the City is replacing its 1999 Bobcat X331 backhoe.

This piece of equipment is used primarily by the Roads Department for maintenance work for small backhoe projects, for example it is used to break open beaver dams and work in tight areas in the Cemetery for grave excavations.

Six tenders were received for various models and types of trailers, see attached spreadsheet depicting the results. Trailers are required for moving the machine between work sites as the machine is a crawler machine on rubber tracks.

Upon review of the bids received it was determined that the low bid machine did not meet the minimum specifications and that the two lowest priced machines were too small.

It is recommended that the bid received from CASE for a CASE CX 31B with an aluminum trailer at a cost of \$46,630 (HST extra) with trade in of the 1999 X331 backhoe be accepted. This was not the lowest price received, but meets

the specifications and includes a trailer for the price that is aluminum rather than steel making it a better weight for the transporting.

The 1999 Bobcat X331 backhoe was offered up for bids through private sale of which seven (7) were received, but prices were too low compared to the trade in value offered by CASE for the CASE CX 31B unit.

There is an allocation of \$70,000 approved under the 2012 Capital Budget for the purchase.

**Budget:** 2012 Capital Budget allocation \$70,000

**Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements:**

Resolution required.

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