

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA TOPIC

Resolution authorizing execution of an agreement with Owen Equipment Company for the purchase of one new Hydro Jetter Truck, in the amount to not exceed \$418,639.61, plus applicable taxes.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**ACTION**

This Resolution authorizes execution of an agreement with Owen Equipment Company for the purchase of one new Hydro Jetter truck planned for replacement in 2027.

RECOMMENDATION

Move to adopt Resolution No. 10653

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

Bellevue's Wastewater Division is responsible for maintenance and repairs of the city's wastewater system, including the main sewer lines and service connections within the city's right of way and dedicated easements. Bellevue's wastewater service area covers over 37 square miles, including Beaux Arts. Bellevue's wastewater system serves over 37,000 customers and includes: 13,000+ maintenance holes, 520 miles of mainline pipes, 46 pump and flush stations, 34 major connections to the King County wastewater system, and 19 miles of lake lines.

These systems are in constant operation and require ongoing inspection, cleaning, and maintenance to ensure reliable service. Failure of any portion of the wastewater system could result in service disruptions, environmental impacts, property damage, regulatory violations, and potential threats to public health and safety.

The city's existing Hydro Jetter Truck will reach the end of its useful life in 2027 and is scheduled for replacement. This truck serves a critical and specialized role in maintaining Bellevue's wastewater infrastructure. The vehicle is equipped with a high-pressure water system used to remove grease, debris, sediments, and solids. Material dislodged during the cleaning process is conveyed downstream for treatment through the regional wastewater system or removed by Bellevue Utilities.

This purchase will utilize an interlocal agreement between the City of Bellevue and Sourcewell that has a contract in place to purchase from the Owen Equipment Company. The city has benefited

from this cooperative purchasing agreement for many years as it is a large consortium of public agencies and consequently obtains very competitive pricing.

POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS

Policy Impact

Bellevue City Code

- BCC 4.28 provides for the fair and equitable treatment of all persons involved in the purchasing process. Council approval is required to award the bid where the cost exceeds \$350,000.
- BCC 4.28.150 authorizes the Director of Finance and Asset Management to join cooperative purchase agreements with other public agencies, cooperatives or consortiums when it would be in the best interest of the City.

Bellevue Comprehensive Plan

- UT-31. Provide a reliable wastewater disposal system that ensures public health and safety, and protects the environment.
- UT-32. Require wastewater connections for all new development, including single family plats, unless otherwise allowed by state or county regulations
- UT-33. Allow existing single family homes with septic systems to continue to use septic systems, provided they remain in compliance with Seattle-King County Public Health requirements. Homeowners are encouraged to connect to wastewater systems where available. If existing septic systems fail to maintain compliance with Seattle-King County Public Health standards and cannot be brought into compliance, homeowners should be required to connect to the wastewater system.

Fiscal Impact

This agreement authorizes staff to obligate the city to pay \$418,639.61, plus applicable taxes, for the purchase of one new Hydro Jetter Truck for delivery in early 2027.

The source funding for the purchase is the Utilities Asset Replacement Account (ARA). This expenditure is proposed as part of the 2027-2028 budget process and was included in prior budgets as a planned future replacement. Sufficient funding exists in the ARA for the purchase. Funds received from the surplus sale of the equipment being replaced will be receipted into the ARA for future replacement needs.

OPTIONS

1. Adopt the Resolution authorizing execution of an agreement with Owen Equipment Company for the purchase of one new Hydro Jetter Truck, in the amount to not exceed \$418,639.61, plus applicable taxes.
2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS

Proposed Resolution No. 10653

AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL LIBRARY

Purchase agreement documents between City of Bellevue and Owen Equipment Company.