



CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS
Committee of the Whole Agenda Communication

Meeting Date: Monday January 9th, 2023

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Agenda Item: Early Purchase of Street and Cemetery Mowers Discussion

Explanation: Fiscal Year 23-24 MERF schedule allows for the replacement of three Toro Zero Turn mowers, two at the Cemetery and one at the Street Department. The mowers quoted are exact replacements of the current mowers. Staff reached out to Wieland's Lawn Mower Hospital to get a quote. After the Governmental Discount, their Quote was \$13,389.60 per mower, for a grand total of \$40,168.80 and delivery is estimated to be 4 months. This price does not reflect any trade in value the City may receive for the current mowers. Internet prices showed \$15,999.99 to \$18,326.00 per mower.

Fiscal Impact: Fiscal Impact is \$40,168.80 for three Toro Zero Turn Mowers, or \$13,389.60 per mower minus any trade in value.

Committee Discussion: Staff recommends purchasing the mowers early, from Wielands, but not taking delivery until May 1st, 2023 or after. Staff would budget for the purchase of the mowers in this coming FY 23-24. This would potentially allow for the mowers to be used this May instead of waiting until August or after. The mowers would be rotated every year to help keep hours even on each machine.

Action Requested: Committee Discussion and Direction.