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WATER POLLUTION CONTROL

MEMORANDUM

To: Gregg Mandsager, City Administrator

Cc: Nancy Lueck, Finance Director

From: Roger Kirby, Director WPCP

Date: February 11, 2011

Re: Utility Vehicle for the WPCP

INTRODUCTION: Since we are getting closer to the completion of our plant renovation project we are finding the distance between our processes has expanded considerably. We are reaching close to a quarter of a mile from one end of the plant to the other.

BACKGROUND: I am finding the operators and maintenance staff using a pickup truck to get to the other end of the plant for checking, getting readings, or maintaining equipment for short periods of time. Operation of a truck in that manner will shorten the life very quickly. Having a means of carrying some tools and getting to the other end of the plant quickly would help considerably. This is the reason I am proposing to buy a Utility Vehicle (Gator) to solve this problem.

We have also had an Occupational Therapist on site following our operator (David Ledbetter) around the plant and he suggested that a gator type vehicle be used by operators for normal rounds around the plant. The plant conditions are currently not in very good shape and the snow and ice are a hazard in getting around. As spring approaches, the muddy conditions will also present a hazard. We are currently borrowing a utility vehicle from Parks and Rec and have found this would be the best type of vehicle for this application.

RECOMMENDATION/RATIONALE: Since this is not a budgeted item, we could include this as part of the plant renovation because we need it now. Parks and Rec need their vehicle back before March 1st. We have received bids from five suppliers (attached) and I recommend accepting the low bid of \$8,969.80 from Elder Implement, Muscatine. The current contract with Williams Brothers Construction including change orders amounting to \$90,000 still leaves us with about \$325,000 for any other unexpected project costs. Please include this on the council agenda for the February 17th Council Meeting with your approval.

**UTILITY VEHICLE BIDS (WPCP)
2010/2011**

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>VEHICLE</u>	<u>MEETS SPECS</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
Elder Implement Muscatine	John Deere HPX	Yes <u>X</u> No <u> </u>		\$8,969.80
Iowa City Motor Sports Iowa City	Kawasaki Mule 4010	Yes <u> </u> No <u>X</u>		\$9,594.00
River Valley Turf Davenport	John Deere XUV 62.5i	Yes <u>X</u> No <u> </u>		\$9,134.00
Hawkeye Motorworks Davenport	Honda Big Red 2010	Yes <u>X</u> No <u> </u>	\$11,899.00	
	MUV 700 2011	Yes <u>X</u> No <u> </u>		\$12,459.00
Mills Marine Muscatine	Artic Cat Prowler XT	Yes <u> </u> No <u>X</u>	\$9,780.00	\$10,589.00