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WASILLA CITY COUNCILINFORMATION MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Tractor and Mower Purchase

PREPARED BY: Public Works

DATE: December 18, 1998

FOR AGENDA OF: January 11,1999

SUMMARY:

As the city expands the acreage that is moved at the airport, along road sides, in parks and at the cemetery, currently owned moving equipment is inadequate. The city has the opportunity to purchase a used tractor and three mowing attachments from Yukon Equipment for \$30,000. Yukon has made this offer contingent upon it being able to sell this unit at any time. Although it probably will not sell this winter, it would probably sell before the start of the next fiscal year. This is why a supplemental appropriation is requested.

The purchase of this type of equipment has been a high priority on the CIP list in Public Works for four years because of projected growth in mowing acreage. Public Works staff has rented this same equipment in the past two years to supplement its mowing program. Based on this rental history, the equipment will pay for itself in less than three years. The addition of this equipment will help to free up available manpower and give Public Works more latitude in using equipment when it is needed and not be tied to a rental time period.

FISCAL IMPACT: x No Yes, amount requested: \$30,000 Fund: General

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Introduction of Ordinance 99-06

MAYOR REVIEW/COMMENT:

Reviewed by: SARAH PALIN, MAYOR