



Date: 3/4/2026
To: City Commission
From: Kalla Langston-Weiss, City Clerk
Subject: Purchase Approval- Cemetery Burial Vault Cart

BACKGROUND

The Cemetery Department is requesting approval to purchase a Burial Vault Cart for use at Oak Ridge Cemetery.

A burial vault cart is a specialized piece of cemetery equipment designed to safely lift, transport, and position burial vaults and monuments during interment services. Burial vaults are heavy concrete containers placed in the ground to house a casket and prevent grave collapse. Because these vaults can weigh several thousand pounds, specialized equipment is required to safely unload them from delivery trucks and accurately place them at the gravesite. The proposed equipment, the Johnny MAX+ Self-Propelled Burial Vault Cart, is designed specifically for cemetery operations. It includes a hydraulic articulating boom, leveling cylinders, a winch system, and wireless controls that allow staff to lift and maneuver vaults directly from trucks to the burial site while maintaining stability and safety during placement.

This equipment will allow cemetery staff to perform vault placement more safely and efficiently, reduce the risk of employee injury associated with manual handling or improvised equipment, and improve the City's ability to conduct burial services in a timely and professional manner.

The City received a proposal from BSO HB Products LLC dba TruRebel for the purchase of the equipment with the following pricing:

- Johnny MAX+ Burial Vault Cart: \$48,865.00
- Delivery: \$550.00
- Total Purchase Price: \$49,415.00

Funding for this purchase was included in the FY 2025-2026 approved budget for cemetery equipment improvements.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the purchase of the Johnny MAX+ Burial Vault Cart from BSO HB Products LLC dba TruRebel in the amount of \$49,415.00, including delivery.

ATTACHMENT- Bid Proposal