



**CITY COMMISSION
STAFF REPORT**

DEPARTMENT: Utilities Department

SUBJECT: Motion to Approve Purchase of Articulating Boom Lift - **Utilities**

CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDATION:

The City Manager recommends Commission approval to purchase a refurbished articulating boom lift from High Reach 2.

BACKGROUND OF ITEM:

The Utilities Department’s fleet of equipment & vehicles includes one lift that is routinely used for operation and maintenance activities such as wastewater treatment unit repairs, lifting pumps and equipment into treatment units, accessing upper portions of water storage tanks and buildings, and hurricane preparation activities such as closing hurricane shutters on second-floor windows and trimming of trees. This lift is a 2000 model that is in poor condition, and has exceeded its useful lifespan. Replacement of this lift is included in the current year’s budget.

ANALYSIS:

Staff has researched the market for lifts of a similar size and capacity as the current one, and has discovered that new lifts are generally not available and that retailers are not even currently accepting orders for new ones. Also, the cost of a new lift is approximately \$170,000 which exceeds our budget of \$100,000. Staff has found, however, a currently available, used 2013 lift that has thoroughly refurbished and is in excellent condition. The price for this lift is \$99,900 and comes with a 6-month warranty. Staff recommends waiving the formal bid requirements normally required for such a purpose and purchasing this lift while it is available.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds for this purchase are available in the Water & Sewer Fund and budgeted for this purpose.

<u>General Ledger Acct. Number</u>	<u>Budgeted Amount</u>	<u>Currently Remaining</u>	<u>Requested Amount</u>	<u>Remaining Amount</u>
450-910-564700-533	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$99,900	\$100

ALTERNATIVES:

The City Commission could opt to advertise a bid for this item, but it would likely be for a new lift because it would be difficult to prepare specifications for a renovated lift. Opting not to purchase a replacement lift would be another option, but Staff recommends against that option.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. HR2 Quote
2. Vendor Compliance Form
3. Photo