



STAFF REPORT
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Submitted By: Lily Sellers, Dripping Springs Ranch Park Manager

Council Meeting Date: September 15th, 2026

Agenda Item Wording: **Discuss and consider approval of the use of Dripping Springs Ranch Park FY26 funds to purchase a Skid Steer** *Sponsor: Council Member Sherrie Parks*

Agenda Item Requestor: Lily Sellers

Summary/Background: Staff is requesting authorization to utilize available FY26 funds within the Dripping Springs Ranch Park budget to replace the facility's existing New Holland skid steer. The current skid steer was purchased in 2017 and, due to its age and extensive use in daily park operations, has begun requiring increasingly frequent repairs and maintenance. Equipment failures have also resulted in the need to rent replacement equipment to maintain operations, creating additional costs and staff downtime.

Staff recommends purchasing a replacement skid steer through Tellus Equipment. In addition to improving reliability and reducing repair and rental expenses, the purchase would provide an opportunity to reduce ongoing preventative maintenance costs. DSRP currently contracts with Equipment Depot for routine service and preventative maintenance of the New Holland skid steer; transitioning to the new equipment would eliminate or reduce the need for this separate service arrangement.

The proposed purchase would be funded using remaining FY26 funds already available within the DSRP budget and would provide the facility with a more reliable piece of equipment necessary for routine maintenance, event preparation, arena operations, and other park needs. The quote received for the new 324G Tellus Skid Steer is \$58,601.48. Currently, for funds in the DSRP Budget, we have 19,979.56 in the Other GL (200-401-70003) and we have \$50,000.00 in Contingency GL (200-401-70002).

**Commission
Recommendations:**

**Recommended
Council Actions:**

Staff recommends approval of the agreement

Attachments:

Tellus 324G Skid Steer Quote

Next Steps/Schedule:

Upon City Council approval, purchase equipment.