



# City of Eustis

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TO: EUSTIS CITY COMMISSION

FROM: TOM CARRINO, CITY MANAGER

DATE: APRIL 6, 2023

RE: Resolution Number 23-32: Approving a Purchase in Excess of \$50,000 for a Compact Track Loader

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**Introduction:**

Resolution Number 23-32 approves an expenditure in excess of \$50,000 for a compact track loader that is essential to the operation of the Water Department.

**Background:**

The approved fiscal year 2022-2023 budget includes funds for the purchase of a compact loader for the Water Department.

The compact track loader will be replacing a compact loader that is timeworn, unreliable, and scheduled for replacement. This purchase will include attachments of a bucket with cutting edge, forks, pallet fork carriage, and a broom. This machine can be used for digging, backfilling, grading jobsites, moving pallets of materials, moving loose materials, sweeping the street, and many other tasks.

Ring Power provided bid number FSA20-EQU18.0 following the Florida Sheriff's Association Contract. The compact track loader will be purchased through piggybacking the Florida Sheriff's Association Contract.

**Recommended Action:**

Staff recommends approval of Resolution Number 23-32

**Policy Implications:**

Not applicable.

**Alternatives:**

1. Approve Resolution Number 23-32
2. Deny Resolution Number 23-32

**Discussion of Alternatives:**

1. Alternative 1 approves the Resolution.

**Advantages:**

- The City will avoid expensive maintenance and repair on a worn-out piece of equipment.
- The City staff will have safe, reliable equipment to use while performing daily responsibilities.

**Disadvantages:**

- Fiscal impact of the purchase.

2. Alternative 2 denies the Resolution.

**Advantages:**

- The City would not expend \$102,074.

**Disadvantages:**

- The safety of City Staff is at risk if they continue to operate old, worn out equipment.
- Equipment breakdowns could cause disruption in work schedules.

**Budget/Staff Impact:**

The funds for the proposed purchase have been included in the approved Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budget.

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**Attachment(s):**

Resolution Number 23-32

**Available Upon Request**

Ring Power Bid Number FSA20-EQU18.0