



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

AGENDA DATE: May 8th, 2023

AGENDA ITEM: Consider the purchase of a mower for the Grand Rapids / Itasca County Airport

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BACKGROUND:

The Grand Rapids / Itasca County Airport would like to purchase a new large surface lawn mower. The quote from Martin's Snowplow and Equipment is for a X-Mark Lazer Z diesel with a 72" cut for \$23,379.00.

The comparable mower from John Deere is currently unavailable, which limits the ability to get two comparable quotes. We have an immediate need for a replacement.

This mower replaces our existing large surface mower which has reached the end of its useful life. Below is a summary of the maintenance costs:

- The mower was purchased in 2010 for \$13,312.50
- The airport has spent \$8,868.48 on parts/labor/repairs
- The existing mower needs approximately \$7,100 in repairs (see attached letter)

The purchase will be funded with airport fund balance as no state grants are available at this time.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION:

Make a motion to approve and authorize payment to Martin's Snowplow and Equipment for the purchase of one X-Mark Lazer Z diesel mower in the amount of \$23,379.00 for the GPZ Airport.