



City of Grass Valley City Council Agenda Action Sheet

Title: Purchase of Demo Skid Steer Masticator

CEQA: Not a Project

Recommendation: That the City Council (1) approve the sole service purchase of Demo Takeuchi Skid Steer and attachments quote received from the Global Machinery in the amount up to \$152,000 plus any taxes for the wildfire vegetation removal and maintenance pursuant to Grass Valley Municipal Code 3.08.140 (requires 4/5 vote); (2) authorize the City Manager executive the purchase agreement and related documents to purchase the skid steer and associated attachments pending approval of the Fiscal Year Budget 2025/26 by City Council, subject to legal review.

Prepared by: Tim Kiser, City Manager

Council Meeting Date: 6/24/2025

Date Prepared: 06/17/2025

Agenda: Administrative

Background Information: As part of the City's ongoing efforts to reduce wildfire risk and maintain defensible space in high-priority areas, staff received approval from the Measure B Oversight Committee to move forward with the purchase of a Takeuchi Track Skid Steer with a masticator head and several other attachments. This equipment is a vital addition to the City's vegetation management program and wildfire prevention operations.

The proposed equipment package includes:

- A demo masticator head (with a one-year warranty),
- A demo 2025 Takeuchi TL12R2 track skid steer (with low demo hours and full manufacturer warranty),
- A grapple attachment (full warranty),
- 80" Bucket (2 in 1) and

This purchase was incorporated into the proposed Measure B budget presented to City Council in May 27, 2025, and remains part of the FY 2025-26 Final Budget scheduled for Council consideration on June 24, 2025. The acquisition will only proceed if the Measure B budget is formally approved and adopted.

This equipment is essential for enhancing the City's ability to perform fuel reduction, vegetation clearance, and ongoing maintenance of previously cleared areas. The skid steer track masticator allows City crews to efficiently grind brush and woody debris into mulch, reducing fire fuel loads and eliminating the need for costly haul-off operations in many locations. The grapple attachment adds significant operational value by allowing crews to consolidate large logs or debris piles for mulching or transport, thereby improving workflow and reducing manual labor.

Together, this equipment will enable the City to deal with vegetation hazards, reduce fire risk in the wildland-urban interface more efficiently, and maintain the progress achieved through prior fuel management projects. It also positions the City to better support community safety and resilience in the face of longer fire seasons and increased fire risk due to climate change.

Due to the unique nature of the proposed equipment package—which includes demo units offered at significantly discounted prices below government cooperative purchasing rates—staff recommends a sole source procurement through Global Machinery. This vendor has provided pricing that is both lower than competitive purchasing platforms and includes additional attachments that maximize operational versatility. Pursuant to Municipal Code Section 3.08.140, a sole source procurement requires a four-fifths (4/5) vote of the City Council for approval.

Please note, this purchase is contingent on final adoption of the FY 2025-26 budget and will not proceed unless the Measure B funding allocation is approved by Council on June 24, 2025. No purchases will be made prior to the start of the new fiscal year.

Council Goals/Objectives: This item executes portions of work tasks towards achieving/maintaining the Strategic Plan - High Performance Government & Quality Service and Productive and Efficient Workforce.

Fiscal Impact: There are sufficient funds proposed within the FY 2025/26 Budget for this purchase in the Measure B fund.

Funds Available: Yes

Account #: 207-102-52050

Reviewed by: City Manager

Attachments:

- Quote