## CITY OF RICHLAND CENTER AGENDA ITEM DATA SHEET

Agenda Item: Purchase of Husqvarna Automower 550 EPOS Robot Mower

Requested & Presented by: Jasen Glasbrenner

Meeting Date: Public Works on 01-16-2025

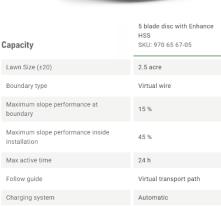
Finance Committee on 02-04-2025 and Common Council on 02-04-2025

**Committee Review:** Public Works on 01-16-2025 - Motion by Melby to recommend to the Finance Committee the approval of the purchase of a new Husqvarna Automower 550. Seconded by Walters. Motion carried unanimously.

**Background:** In the fall of 2024 we had a demo of a Husqvarna Automower 550 EPOS Robot Mower for approximately a 2-week period where it maintained the majority of the lawn at City Hall. We are proposing the purchase of a single unit to further test the reliability and functionality of the mower as a tool in our lawn maintenance fleet. The expectation is that the mower will increase efficiency and reduce costs as it frees up staff for other critical duties such as landscaping maintenance, tree care, and grounds improvements as well as reducing costs associated with manual mowing, fuel consumption, and equipment maintenance.

**Department Recommendation:** Authorize the purchase of a new Husqvarna Automower 550 EPOS Robot Mower.









0.075 acre



Cutting System	
Cutting system	5 pivoting razor blades
Cutting height, max (approximate)	2.4 in
Cutting height, min (approximate)	0.8 in
Cutting width	9.45 in
Cutting height adjustment	Electric
Skid plate	Yes
Dual cutting direction	Yes

**Financial Impact:** Approximately \$4,500.00 for the unit, reference station, charging station and installation. The installation cost can vary.

Area capacity per hour without charging

Funding Source: Proceeds from the sale of City equipment.

## **Requested Action:**

**Finance:** Motion to recommend to the Common Council the approval of the purchase of a new Husqvarna Automower 550 EPOS Robot Mower from a local vendor for approximately \$4,500 using funds from proceeds from the sale of City equipment.

**Council:** Motion to approve the purchase of a new Husqvarna Automower 550 EPOS Robot Mower from a local vendor for approximately \$4,500 using funds from proceeds from the sale of City equipment.