

Memorandum

To: Mayor Nelson and Members of the City Council

Cc: Dan Buchholtz, City Administrator

From: George Linngren, Public Works Director

Date: December 31,2025

Subject: Request for Approval to Purchase Snow Blower Attachment for Skid Steer

Mayor and Council Members,

I am requesting your approval to purchase a new snow blower attachment for the skid steer. When we traded in the previous skid steer, we sold the old blower separately to maximize its resale value. At that time, we anticipated replacing the blower but chose to defer the purchase for one year.

The snow blower is essential for clearing the hockey rinks after snowfalls and can also be utilized for removing snow from streets and boulevards. I obtained three quotes for the replacement, which ranged from \$8,204 (lowest) to approximately \$11,000 (highest). We plan to purchase the blower through the Minnesota State Contract from Quick Attach, a Minnesota-based company located in Alexandria.

The total cost for the blower, including controls and connectors, is \$8,204. This expense will be covered by the equipment fund.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 763-257-7106.