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Ald. Sandy Weidner, Chairwoman
Public Works and Services Committee
Racine, Wisconsin

RE: Waiving of Formal Bidding for Purchase of a Backhoe

Dear Ald. Weidner:

I am requesting that formal bidding procedures be waived for the purchase of a replacement backhoe which is included in the 2012 CIP budget.

I would request that the Purchasing Agent be authorized and directed to negotiate the purchase of a 2011 Case 580 Super N backhoe with Miller-Bradford and Risberg, Inc., they being the supplier of this unit. Case is the only manufacturer of the equipment utilized by the City of Racine, which results in continuity on the purchase and stocking of replacement parts and equipment maintenance.

The estimated cost of this equipment is \$100,000.00 which is an estimated savings of \$8,000 for a 2012 model. Funding to defray the cost of this purchase is available in Account 101.630.5790, Unlicensed Vehicles - Backhoe.

Very Truly Yours,

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Attachment

cc: Mark Yehlen
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