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Alder. Mollie Jones, Chairperson Public Works and Services Committee Racine, WI

Re: Waive Formal Bidding for the Purchase of Case Wheel Loader Vehicle

Dear Alder Jones:

Staff is requesting that formal bidding procedures be waived for the purchase of a wheel loader for the City.

Staff requests that the Purchasing Agent be authorized to negotiate for the purchase of Case equipment with Miller-Bradford and Risberg, Inc., they being the sole source provider of these units. Case is the only manufacturer of the equipment utilized by the City of Racine, which results in continuity of labor and on the purchase of replacement parts for equipment maintenance.

The Department of Public Works budgeted for a Case 921G wheel loader outfitted specifically for transfer station operations. The estimated cost of this equipment is \$362,000 with funding to defray the cost of this purchase available in Org-Obj 45140-57311, DPW-Equipment Vehicles.

Sincerely,

Ron J. Pritzlaff, P.E. Assistant Commissioner of Public Works

Cc: Mayor Cory Mason Paul Vornholt Kathleen Fischer John Rooney