

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



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DATE: December 15, 2011

SUBJECT: Request to purchasing a Toro Reelmaster and Toro Verticutter for Reelmaster from Wesco Turf, Inc. under State Contract #760-00-10-1 for a total of \$30,431.59 using the City Manager Contingency-General Fund as a source of funding

Action statement:

The Parks and Recreation division of the Community Services Department requests the purchase of a Toro Reelmaster and Verticutter under state contract #760-00-10-1, this piece of equipment was recommend by the five (5) different sod companies for the proper care of the sod that is being replaced under Resolution 11-308 at the Clayton Sterling Complex, Rosa Hernandez, Pepe Hernandez and Dewitt Roberts Fields at the cost of \$202,170.00.

Background:

On November 1, 2011, the City of Key West Commission passed Resolution 11-308 which authorized the replacement of sod on Clayton Sterling, Rosa Hernandez, Pepe Hernandez and Dewitt Roberts ball fields.

Purpose and Justification:

After replacing the sod on Clayton Sterling, Rosa Hernandez, Pepe Hernandez and Dewitt Roberts ball fields, it is in the best interest of the City of Key West to properly maintain these fields in order to assure a healthy long life. The five (5) sod companies represented at the Pre-Bid meeting suggested that the City of Key West should use a Reel/Verticut Mower for proper cutting and maintenance of the sod.

Financial Impact:

The total Sod replacement project was budgeted for \$504,100.00 and lowest bid for the sod replacement was \$202,170.00. Due to the five sod companies represented at the pre-bid meeting it is in the best interest of the City of Key West, and the Community Services Department to use a Reel/Verticutter mower.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends the purchase of the Toro Reelmaster 3100-D, 3WD and Series Parallel Traction System 72" Cutting width. Options to include: Reelmaster 27" 8BL CU DPA with Wiehle Roller, Reelmaster 3100 27" lift arm kit, and Verticutter.