



MEETING OF APRIL 4, 2023

TO: Mayor Jordan and City Council
THRU: Terry Gulley, Asst Public Works Director - Ops
FROM: Ross Jackson, Jr., Fleet Operations Superintendent
DATE:
SUBJECT: **DownEaster Salt Spreaders**

RECOMMENDATION:

COUNCIL APPROVES A RESOLUTION TO WAIVE COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND PURCHASE OF FOUR (4) REPLACEMENT DOWNEASTER SALT SPREADERS FOR WINTER ICE AND SNOW REMOVAL IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$41,043.72 AND ANY APPLICABLE SHIPPING AND TAXES FROM DOWNEASTER MFG COASTAL METAL FAB OF MAINE.

BACKGROUND:

The transportation department will be replacing four (4) truck mounted salt spreaders; two (2) Henderson Model FSM9 and two (2) Meyer Model ME63907 salt spreaders with all DownEaster model 4008 wireless controlled mechanical over hydraulic salt spreaders.

DISCUSSION:

Fleet and Transportation have worked together to find a salt spreader that will hold up to the harsh conditions salt spreaders are used in. We currently own two (2) other DownEaster Model 4008 spreaders and have used them with great success and minimal mechanical issues. They are able to meet our desired specifications and the Fleet Division would also like to move toward fleet standardization of one model of manufacturer given the success we had with them.

BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:

Sufficient funds have been budgeted and collected for this purchase.

This purchase was approved at the March 14th Equipment Committee.

ATTACHMENTS: SRF DownEaster, DownEaster Spreader Quote