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**CITY OF KELOWNA**  
**MEMORANDUM**

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**Date:** November 23, 2005  
**File No.:** 1280-01  
**To:** City Manager  
**From:** Roads & Equipment Superintendent  
**Subject:** Purchase of Snowplow Truck

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**RECOMMENDATION"**

THAT Council approve the purchase of a single axle truck c/w snow and ice control equipment from VSA Highway Maintenance Contractor;

AND THAT the 2005 Financial Plan be amended to include \$57,000 for this purchase, funding from the Snow & Ice Control Reserve.

**DISCUSSION:**

On October 15, 2005 Tender T05-118, for the supply of sanding and plowing services closed. We were unsuccessful in getting anyone to bid. Following the Tender closing, the Equipment Division made calls to every known contractor to try to generate some interest in the contract. We were successful in obtaining two bids; unfortunately one of bidders ran into mechanical problems and have withdrawn their offer.

We exhausted our search for contractors and began looking for used units to rent or purchase.

We were successful at finding two second hand trucks for sale. Based on our mechanical assessment we are recommending the purchase of a 1997 single axle Western Star owned by VSA, completely equipped with a Temco (sander) box, underbody plow, front plow and ground speed control.

We are requesting permission to proceed with the purchase of this truck so that we can adequately maintain our existing level of service during winter months. Due to the timing, we need this unit as soon as possible. This unit will be kept for snow and ice control purposes in future years as well as sanding oiled lanes and filling sand bags for flood control during summer months.

The rate for using this vehicle with a City employee driving is \$45 per hour less than the contractor rate. Any savings will be returned to the Snow & Ice Control Reserve.



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Dale Beaudry  
Roadways Superintendent

Approved for inclusion:  
John Vos,  
Director of Works & Utilities

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