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DEPARTMENT: Resource Management

STAFF CONTACT: Mary Jaeger/Amy Tharnish

SUBJECT: Consideration of renewal of contract to SFG Road Maintenance for the purchase of BEET 55 for

the Field Operations Divisions of Public Works.

ITEM DESCRIPTION:

Consideration of renewal of contract to SFG Road Maintenance for the purchase of BEET 55 for the Field Operations Divisions of Public Works.

SUMMARY: BEET 55 is a liquid organic deicer derived from sugar beet molasses and used by the Street Maintenance Section of Public Works during winter storm operations. This product lowers the freeze point of salt brine, which increases the effectiveness of the brine in lower temperatures. The Street Maintenance Section blends BEET 55 with salt brine to make a product that is less corrosive to roadways and vehicles, reduces salt application rates as much as 50% and more effective in lower temperatures.

The City of Olathe Snow and Ice Operations rank in the **Top 5% in the Nation**, in large part due to the innovative and effective use of snow fighting equipment and materials. Field Operations has been using this product for five (5) years with much success.

Staff recommends a three-year renewal of this contract.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$110,000.00 to be paid from the Field Operations- Street Maintenance operating budget.

ACTION NEEDED:

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ATTACHMENT(S):

NONE