City Council Item

February 23, 2026

Item	2026 Equipment Purchase - Forestry Head	
File No.	N/A	**Item No:** D.5
Agenda Section	**CONSENT AGENDA**	
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SUGGESTED ACTION "The Chanhassen City Council approves the purchase of a Forestry Head."	
Motion Type	Simple Majority Vote of members present
Strategic Priority	Asset Management

SUMMARY

This action is for the approval to purchase a Forestry Head attachment for use in maintaining natural vegetation areas.

BACKGROUND

N/A

DISCUSSION

This attachment is an addition to the city fleet. The unit attaches to a skid steer that aids in removing/grinding brush and small diameter trees and vegetation to provide maintenance access to our assets.

We currently have been renting this attachment to maintain areas such as trails, around storm ponds, and along easements. As this tool is something that is being used fairly often, it is more cost effective to

purchase the unit rather than continue renting. The rental cost has been $14,803.60 over the last two years.

BUDGET

This purchase is included in the approved 2026-2035 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for 2028. Operations staff, however, is proposing to swap the Forestry Head purchase with the replacement of Trailer 1G planned for 2026, which has an estimated cost of $61,000.

The city solicited multiple quotes for this purchase. Minnesota Equipment came in with a lower price.

Minnesota Equipment	$53,042.50
Lano	$54,025.50

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the equipment purchase.

ATTACHMENTS

Forestry Head CIP
Forestry Head Lano Quote
Forestry Head MN Equipment Quote