



DATE: May 11, 2026

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Carl Brown, Public Works Director

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing execution of a purchase order with Owens Equipment for one 2026 Vactor 2000i truck mounted single engine combination sewer cleaner in an amount of \$801,255 and a supplemental appropriation in FY 2025-26 from the Water Resources Fund (620) of \$801,255 to fund the purchase.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing issuance of a purchase order to Owens Equipment in Fairfield, California for the purchase of a 2026 Vactor 2000i truck mounted single engine combination sewer cleaner under Sourcewell contract #101221-VTR for the amount of \$801,255 and a supplemental appropriation in FY 2025-26 from the Water Resources Fund (620) of \$801,255 to fund the purchase.

DECISION TYPE

Administrative

SUMMARY

Based on the City of Livermore's Fleet Policy and the 25-year Fleet Replacement Plan, it is time to replace WRD002 a 2015 Vac-Con truck mounted dual engine combination sewer cleaner. Staff have determined that the vehicle that best meets the needs of the department is the 2026 Vactor 2000i truck mounted single engine combination sewer cleaner and Owens Equipment is the local Sourcewell contractor for sewer vacuum and combination vehicles in Fairfield, California.

DISCUSSION

The Water Resources Division (WRD) maintains 300 miles of sanitary sewer pipe, 240 miles of storm drainpipe, and 150 miles of water distribution pipe. Currently WRD uses a combination sewer jetter and vacuum truck to accomplish a variety of construction and maintenance objectives including:

1. Cleaning of sewer lines to prevent backups and overflows.
2. Cleaning of sewer lines in advance of Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) inspection.

3. Cleaning of storm drain lines, catch basins, and trash capture devices to prevent flooding.
4. Hydro excavation of sewer, storm, and water underground facilities.

Staff have analyzed the usage pattern of the combination sewer jetter and vacuum vehicles and have determined that a combination vehicle is needed to effectively deliver services. Staff have evaluated alternatives to purchasing a replacement sewer vehicle such as short-term rental and long-term lease. The following factors lead staff to the determination that a permanent replacement for the end-of-life vehicle is necessary:

- Historical usage data shows that purchasing a sewer vehicle is more cost-effective than renting or leasing.
- The City currently has two of these vehicles and redundancy is critical for this piece of equipment in order to safeguard the health and welfare of the public by being able to respond rapidly to potential sewer overflows and is necessary in the event of a natural disaster.
- A second combination sewer vehicle allows multiple sections within WRD to utilize needed equipment at the same time, thereby allowing for quicker response times and less interruption to ongoing operations.

California's strict emission laws have made it difficult for vendors to secure a truck chassis that they are able to sell in California. As a result, prices have increased. Because of these increases, we have exceeded the budgeted amount for FY 2025/26. A supplemental appropriation will be needed to purchase this replacement vehicle.

Under LMC Section 2.68.370 of the City's Contract and Purchase Ordinance, the Administrative Services Director may purchase supplies and equipment without utilizing the quotation or bidding requirements of the Ordinance, if such purchases are based on an agreement or cooperative purchasing program entered into by any public agency or agencies situated within the state, regardless of whether the City is a named party to such an agreement or an actual participant in such a program. In such cases, the supplies and equipment purchased must be the same and be offered at the same price as the supplies, subject to the agreement or program, and the underlying purchase must have been made using a quotation or bid procedure at least as restrictive as the City's.

Staff recommend purchasing this replacement vehicle utilizing Sourcewell Acceptance and Award contract #101221-VTR which has an extension through November 29, 2026. The Sourcewell bid procedure for the replacement vehicles meets the City's municipal code requirement and therefore can be awarded to Owen Equipment.

The Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program assists local governments in reducing costs through this procurement service. This program is available to local government entities and qualifying non-profit corporations. The City of Livermore is currently a registered member. The purchase through Sourcewell Acceptance and Award contract #101221-VTR will expedite the delivery of these replacement vehicles.

FISCAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACTS

The replacement purchase of this vehicle is budgeted in the Fleet Services Internal Service Fund (730) for FY 2025-26 and is identified in the Fleet 25-Year replacement plan. A supplemental appropriation from the Water Resources Fund (620) is needed to purchase the replacement for WRD0002. The inflated cost of vehicles purchased and outfitting in 2025-26 has exceeded the annual budgeted amount

requiring the \$801,255 to be appropriated in FY 2025-26 to complete the purchase.

COMMUNITY PILLAR

1: A City That Works

GOAL

14: Develop, operate, and maintain the City's infrastructure.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Federal Signal Sourcewell Contract
2. Owens Equipment Quote
3. Resolution

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