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<b>Common Council Item Number:</b> 32T	<b>Date:</b> 3/3/2017
<b>Submitted By:</b> Ron Grall, Director of Parks, Recreation & Forestry David Rauterberg, Forestry Supervisor	<b>City Administrator Approval:</b> Kevin Lahner, City Administrator
<b>Finance Department Review:</b> Rich Abbott, Finance Director 32T	<b>City Attorney's Office Review:</b> Brian Running, City Attorney 32T
<b>Subject:</b> Review and act on the 2017 CIP line item adjustment in the heavy equipment account for the purchase of a replacement Back Hoe and adding a \$10,000.00 grapple attachment to increase efficiencies in our tree removal operation due to the Emerald Ash Borer.	

**Details:**  
 Waukesha Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department (WPRF) has secured funds in the 2017 Heavy Motorized Equipment account #4355.68140 in the amount of \$130,000.00 to purchase a replacement compactor (garbage truck). The compactor bid has come in at \$81,400.00. This is \$48,600.00 less than budgeted. WPRF has also secured funds in the same Heavy Equipment account #4355.68140 in the amount of \$115,000.00 for the purchase of a replacement Back Hoe. The amount required for a suitable replacement and adding the \$10,000.00 grapple attachment, using the city approved NJPA Contract, is \$116,600.61, a \$1,600.61 difference. WPRF staff is requesting that an additional \$1,600.61 be used within the Heavy Equipment Account to purchase the replacement Back Hoe with the grapple attachment.

**Options & Alternatives:**  
 WPRF staff has considered purchasing the replacement Back Hoe without the grapple attachment which would stay within the budgeted amount. This would keep our current tree removal operations (loading of logs into a dump trunk) status quo which has been deemed hard on our existing equipment and is less efficient than the use of a Back Hoe with a grapple attachment. With the increased EAB activity within the city, which has resulted in an increase in ash tree removals, the purchase of this grapple attachment would reduce removal time, decrease "wear and tear" on existing equipment and free up other equipment to be used elsewhere within the department.

**Financial Remarks:**  
 Purchasing the Back Hoe through the NJPA program has resulted in a \$99,654.97 discount for the city.

**Executive Action:**  
 Recommend approval to purchase the replacement Back Hoe with the grapple attachment by using additional funds available within the Heavy Equipment Account # 4355.68140.



**Committee Recommendation:**

The Parks, Recreation & Forestry Board \_\_\_\_\_ this transfer on March 20, 2017.