

March 16, 2015

To: Mayor Bemrich and City Council  
From: David Fierke, City Manager  
Subject: EQUIPMENT REPAIR – VOLVO GRADER

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**ACTION:** For vote Monday, March, 23, 2015

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**Brief History**

The City of Fort Dodge Public Works department has a 2001 Volvo Grader that is used for the maintenance of alleys and for snow removal on the main corridors and downtown area in the winter. The grader blade hit a bridge joint during snow removal operations causing the draw bar to become bent and the circle to break. These components are used to turn the blade and adjust the angle.

**Analysis of Issue**

Because Volvo is an international brand there is only one local dealer in Des Moines, Scott Van Keppel, where the parts could be ordered. The repairs will be performed by the Public Works Maintenance Department. The estimated cost of the replacement parts is \$24,662.32.

**Budget Impact**

This is an approved expenditure of re-allocated funds approved by the Council on March 9, 2015.

**Strategic Plan Impact**

Infrastructure Policy D.4.2: Advanced planning for all infrastructure facilities shall be supported and routinely updated. Facilities benefited by advanced planning shall include, at minimum, schools, health care, residential areas, roads, water, sewer, storm water management, parks, recreation and greenways.

**Comprehensive Plan Impact**

Not applicable.

**Subcommittee or Commission Review / Recommendation**

None.

**Staff Conclusions / Recommendations**

Staff recommends ordering the replacement parts from Scott Van Keppel in the amount of \$24,662.32 for the repair of the 2001 Volvo Grader.

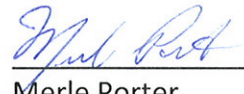
**Alternatives**

None.

**Implementation and Accountability**

Upon City Council approval, the replacement parts from Scott Van Keppel will be ordered.

Signed



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Merle Porter  
Acting Director, Public Works

Approved



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David R. Fierke  
City Manager