



DATE: *January 23, 2026*
TO: Mayor and City Council
VIA: City Manager
FROM: Assistant City Manager
SUBJECT: Public Works – Telescoping Boom Lift Vehicle
Budget Amendment & Purchase Authorization

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approve the purchase of a new boom lift vehicle for the public works department in the amount not to exceed \$117,000 AND approve the corresponding budget amendment.

BUDGET IMPACT

The vehicle referenced in this memo is currently unbudgeted. SPLOST funds are proposed to be used for this purchase. Staff has procured the vehicle and equipment through the cooperative purchasing program known as Sourcewell (Georgia State Contracts) and is seeking emergency action in advance of the upcoming winter storm. The payback period for the purchase would be approximately 31 months or uses without consideration of project and use-related savings.

DISCUSSION

The public works department has rented this type of boom lift truck to unload supplies and equipment deliveries; reach tree tops and limbs in their removal and other departments make use of such for reaching upper portions of city hall and the E Center for maintenance purposes. One of the reasons for the acquisition is the need to operate the in-house construction of facilities (Park Pavilions, PW building construction) that are becoming more routine. The efficiencies gained, safety (no/fewer ladder trips) enhanced and premium prices displaced by the functionality of having the lift are significant benefits to the resource. The street, gas, stormwater and facilities departments routinely rent this type of equipment on a regular basis at \$3,500 a month and sometimes run into limited availability. So, given the growing daily demand for the types of uses warrant the recommended purchase.

Now, given the impending storm event, staff pursued the acquisition of the lift in order to be ready for tree and limb removal. Staff authorized an emergency purchase of the lift on the 22nd so that the equipment would be available

over the weekend of the event and is seeking ratification of the purchase. Staff recommends approval of the purchase by ratification of the emergency acquisition and approval of the budget amendment to fund through SPLOST funds.

Sample photo and quote below:



Includes: All Standard Features, plus

507-42 TELEHANDLER, 74HP (55KW)

JCB ECOMAX ENGINE, TIER 4F

ELECTRONIC PARK BRAKE

4-SPEED POWERSHIFT TRANSMISSION

BOOM MOUNTED LIFT HOOK

10 DEGREE FRAME SWAY

BATTERY ISOLATOR, FENDERS, BACK UP ALARM, SAFETY STRUT

SINGLE AUXILIARY HYDRAULICS

LIVELINK TELEMATICS - 5 YEAR SUBSCRIPTION

SERVO JOYSTICK - 1 AUX

CANOPY BUILD

INCLUDES THE BELOW OPTIONS:

FRONT & REAR HALOGEN WORKLIGHTS

FACE FAN

AMBER LED BEACON

MECHANICAL SUSPENSION SEAT: VINYL (2 INCH BELT)

FIXED BACK

QUICKHITCH COUPLER - REQUIRED TO MOUNT CARRIAGE

FOR 506-36 / 507-42 / 509-42

48 INCH CARRIAGE WITH 48 INCH FORKS

2 YEAR / 2000 HOUR FULL WARRANTY

FOB: Sugar Hill GA

ATTACHMENT – JCB Quote