

City of Seward, NE

Tuesday, April 5, 2016

Regular Session

Item G7

CONSIDERATION OF SEWARD FOUNDATION APPLICATION - Bob Core

Consideration of joint application by Seward Parks Department and Seward Public Schools for \$19,604 grant to purchase an 80" Aera-Vator with seedbox to be used for aeration and reseeding of the Public School and City grass turf areas.

Administrative Report: Following review and discussion, a motion to approve the application would be in order.

Staff Contact:

SEWARD FOUNDATION, INC. GRANT REQUEST FORM

NAME OF PROJECT:

80" Aera-Vator with seedbox

NAME/ADDRESS/PHONE # OF CONTACT PERSON:

Bob Core

City of Seward 142 N 7th St. Seward, NE 68434

(402)643-0247

THIS PROJECT IS BEING SUBMITTED TO THE:

CITY COUNCIL SCHOOL BOARD (Please check one)

FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT UPON APPROVAL BY THE AFOREMENTIONED ENTITY THIS GRANT REQUEST FORM WILL IN TURN BE SUBMITTED TO THE SEWARD FOUNDATION, INC. FOR FINAL DETERMINATION.

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: Please provide a brief description of the project under consideration and the proposed use of Seward Foundation, Inc. grant monies.

This grant request will be a joint venture between the Seward Public Schools and the City of Seward Recreational City Parks Department to purchase an 80" Aera-Vator with a seed box and multi tine shaft. This piece of equipment will be used for a aeration and reseeding of all Public School and City of Seward grass turf areas.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Please provide additional information regarding the project including the need that the project fulfills within the community and the target market for the project. How will this project be promoted to the community at large?

Aera-Vators have become the leading edge of maintaining turf and soil. With the vast amount of sporting events and recreation in the City of Seward and with the Public School system there is a need for turf maintenance.

Aeration of grass turf areas is one of the most important aspects of turf maintenance. Aera-Vators help improve air and water exchange in the soil, improves fertilizer effectiveness, helps improve turf rooting which in turn will help with water runoff, especially in high clay soils and heavily compacted soil areas. Aera-Vators use a pto driven multi-tine shaft to puncture and loosen the soil followed by seeding directly behind in the holes to help promote better plant establishment. By using an Aera-Vator you will help soften the soil and have an improved plant life to reduce the number of turf related injuries.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION: Please provide financial information for the proposed project detailing out the overall estimated cost of the project and the sources and uses of funds including this grant application. Note: The Seward Foundation, Inc. prefers and encourages investment and support from other outside entities to fund projects.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$19,604 _____

SOURCES OF FUNDS:

USES OF FUNDS:

OPERATING BUDGET: Please attach and provide an on-going budget for this program/project.

Who will continue to fund and maintain this program/project on an on-going basis?

School District of Seward and City of Seward will co-fund any repairs and maintenance to the Aera-Vator.

Describe how the budget figures were arrived at?

Communication between both City of Seward and Seward School District.

Will this grant be sufficient to start/continue this program/project?

Yes

Are you submitting this request elsewhere for funding considerations? If so, to whom and for how much?

No

Has this request been made elsewhere and turned down? If so, why?

No

After grant monies from the Seward Foundation, Inc. has been expended what plans are being made to ensure the ongoing operation of the project/program?

Both parties will be held accountable for repairs and maintenance due to normal equipment use.

OTHER INFORMATION:

Is this project application related to a new or on-going program?

The Aera-Vator would be a new piece of equipment for both parties to help ensure better turf management for the Public Schools and City of Seward turf areas.

Who was involved in the development and planning of this program/project?

Tom Vajgrt, Adam Dowling, Troy Vlasin-Seward Public Schools
Bob Core-City of Seward Parks and Rec. Dept.

Will this program/project be evaluated regularly and if so by whom?

Yes. The community of Seward will have a positive feedback to both the Public Schools and City of Seward on the improved quality of turf areas.

Is the project/program ready to begin immediately? Yes _____ If not, what is the target date for completion and/or readiness?

FOR CITY COUNCIL/BOARD OF EDUCATION USE:

Is this particular request part of the City Council/Board of Education long range planning? _____

How does this request help fulfill the mission of the City/School District and why should Seward Foundation, Inc. consider funding this grant application? _____

List in priority order all of the spring/fall (circle one) Seward Foundation, Inc. grant requests from the City Council/Board of Education (circle one).

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

This application was approved for submission by the City Council/Board of Education at its _____ (date) meeting by a vote of _____ (vote results). I have read the entire grant request application and believe it meets the mission of Seward Foundation, Inc. for funding.

Date: _____

Signed: _____

**Signature of President of City Council
or Board of Education required.**



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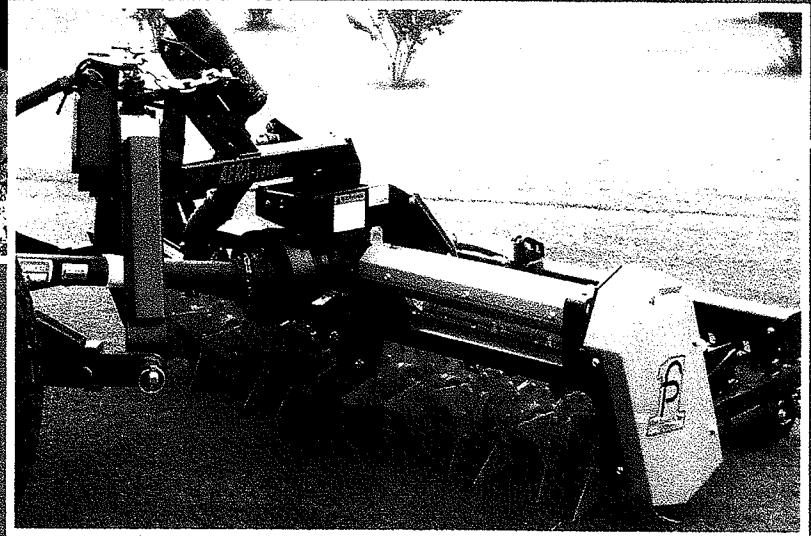
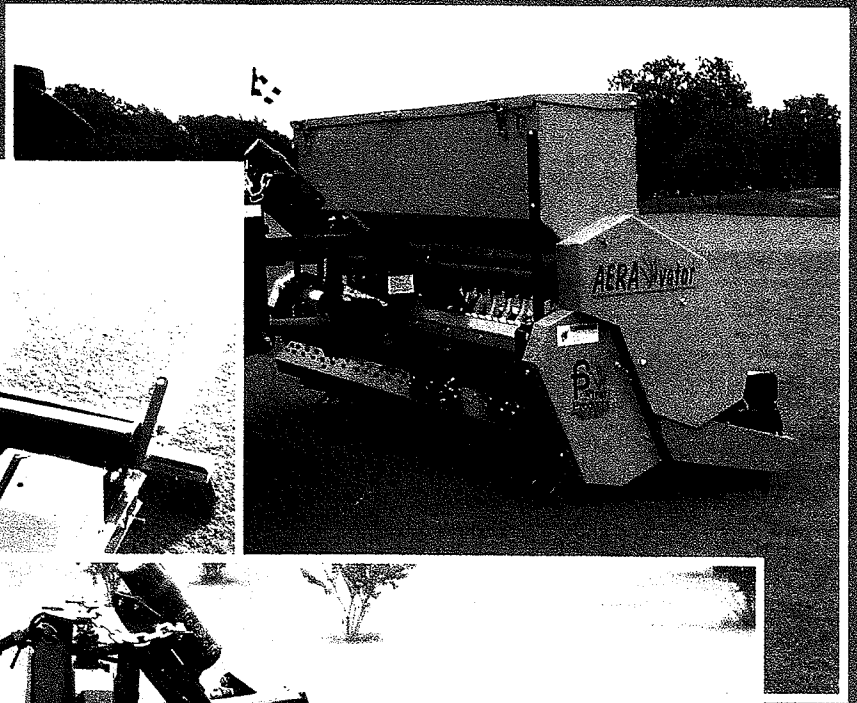
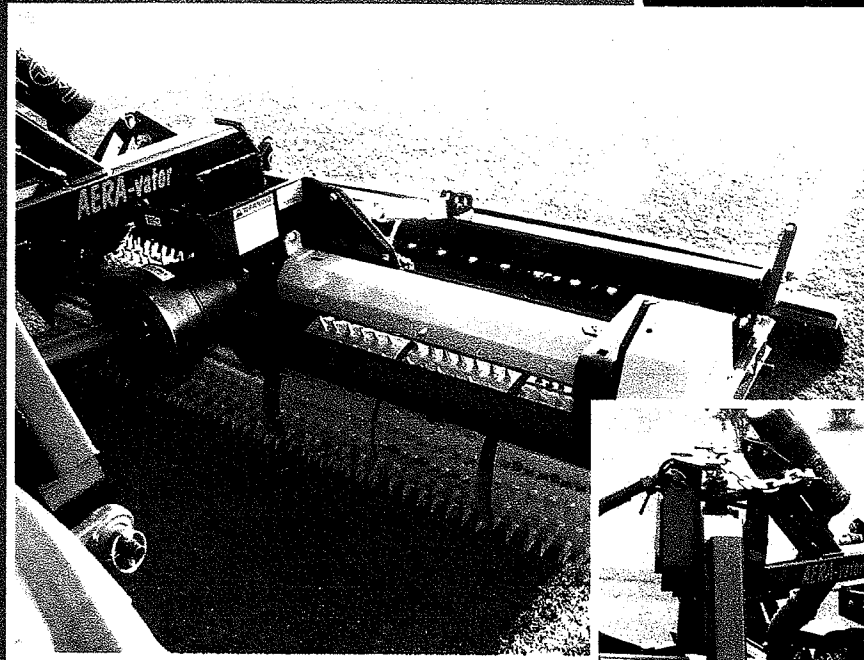
Below, please find the requested pricing.

Model	Description	Your Cost
UA82-022	80" First Product Frame	
UA82-018	Aeravator Shaft (2)	
		\$11,278.00
	<u>Option</u>	
SB82-002	Seedbox	\$3,936.00
UA82-050	Multi Tine Shaft (2)	\$4,390.00

If you need more information, give us a call.

Sincerely,

Dan Parr, Commercial Turf Sales



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AERA-vator Shaft • Multi-Tine Shaft • Slicer Shaft

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