



**AGENDA MEMO**  
6/5/2018 Agenda

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Elizabeth Anderson, Purchasing Manager

**SUBJECT:** Request Approval to Purchase an Aerator for Parks

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**BACKGROUND:**

The Parks Department requests approval to purchase a new aerator. This is the planned replacement of a 2006 model aerator, and the old machine will be sent to auction.

The new aerator will be used on the City's athletic fields to reduce soil compaction, enhance water and fertilizer uptake, and ultimately grow healthier grass. It comes with removable attachments that will allow the Parks Department to treat multiple different types of turf. It also has the ability to pull up soil cores, which leads to thicker and greener grass. If Council approves, staff will purchase a **2018 Toro Pro-Core 864 aerator from Professional Turf Products for \$28,104.42.**

This purchase would be made using BuyBoard contract 529-17. BuyBoard contracts have already been competitively bid and thus meet public purchasing guidelines.

A quote and a memo from Les Jackson, Fleet Manager is attached along with a picture of the existing aerator for reference purposes.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends purchasing the 2018 Toro Pro-Core 864 aerator from Professional Turf Products for \$28,104.42.