



# **CITY OF LA CROSSE**

## **STREET DEPARTMENT**

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**To: Board of Public Works**  
**From: Ryan Rasmussen – Street Superintendent**  
**Date: 5/6/2026**  
**Subject: Purchase of Tandem Truck Snow Equipment**

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The Street Department had bids for Chassis/Snow Equipment for the 2026 tandem truck. Bids were as follows:

Michaels Truck Equipment \$237,115.00  
Universal Truck Equipment \$238,527.00

Difference of \$1,412.00

The Street Department would like to Purchase the equipment and installation from Universal Truck Equipment.

Universal has won and built the last 6 trucks for our department and the quality of work and components have been exceptional. Universal Truck Equipment's only business is building these types of trucks and plows. They build most of the snow equipment that is on this truck, and they are a dealer for all the components of the truck.

Trucks that have been built by Michaels lack the quality work and components that are in the trucks we have just recently purchased. To meet our specifications, Michaels is buying equipment that they are not a dealer for, and they will not be able to service certain pieces on the truck.

We believe paying the extra \$1,412.00 now will be a savings in the future.

Ryan Rasmussen  
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