



The Corporation of the  
City of Sault Ste. Marie

## COUNCIL REPORT

February 23, 2026

TO: Mayor Matthew Shoemaker and Members of City Council  
AUTHOR: Karen Marlow, Manager of Purchasing  
DEPARTMENT: Corporate Services  
RE: Sewer Cleaning Bucket Machine System Purchase from  
Rental

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### **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to obtain Council approval for the purchase of a Sewer Cleaning Bucket Machine System, as requested by Public Works and Engineering Services.

### **Background**

At the August 11, 2025 meeting Council approved retaining Braywood Services Inc. to provide sanitary main cleaning services along a portion of John Street. This job required rental of specialized equipment which is not part of current fleet equipment. Braywood supplied labour and bucket machine equipment, completing the work over nine days in October 2025.

### **Analysis**

This bucket machine system proved reliable for the sewer cleaning conducted along John Street, and Public Works requests to purchase the system from Braywood Services Inc., adding to owned fleet equipment. Public Works staff confirms a purchase option is beneficial to the City for improved management of ongoing sewer cleaning requirements, both financially and operationally.

This request is in accordance with Purchasing By-law section 22 3) d) the City has rented equipment and has elected to purchase where such purchase option is beneficial to the City.

### **Financial Implications**

Braywood Services Inc. has provided a quote of \$171,709, including non-rebatable HST for the purchase of a sewer cleaning bucket machine system with accessories, including delivery and technician on-site demonstration and set-up of equipment.

The equipment cost can be covered within the emergency sanitary sewer allowance from the 2026 Sanitary Sewer budget.

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**Strategic Plan / Policy Impact / Climate Impact**

While this is an operational matter it supports the Infrastructure Service Delivery focus area of the Corporate Strategic Plan as the purchase assists in maintaining and improving existing infrastructure.

**Recommendation**

It is therefore recommended that Council take the following action:

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Purchasing dated February 23, 2026 concerning sewer cleaning equipment purchase as requested by Public Works and Engineering Services be received and that the purchase from Braywood Services Inc. in the amount of \$168,739 plus HST be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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