

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Roger Stancil, Town Manager

FROM: Lance Norris, Public Works Director  
Kenneth C. Pennoyer, Business Management Director

SUBJECT: Bid Awards: Street Sweeper and Front Loading Garbage Trucks

DATE: March 08, 2010

### **PURPOSE**

The attached resolution would accept the bids of Public Works Equipment and Supply, Inc. for a street sweeper consisting of an Elgin Crosswinds J-body mounted on an International chassis for use in the Public Works Storm Water Division in the amount of \$171,384; and two Heil Packer frontloading garbage trucks body mounted on Mack MRU chasses from Transource Truck and Trailer Center in the amount of \$204,400.

The total cost for the purchase of these vehicles is \$580,184. Funding for this purchase is available from the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Vehicle Replacement Fund.

### **BACKGROUND**

Regenerative air sweeper trucks play an integral role in Public Works and Drainage operations. The sweepers help to keep the curbs and gutters clean and significantly reduce the amount of debris that collects in the drainage system, thus reducing sediments and improving water quality.

Frontloading garbage trucks are used to collect solid waste from commercial clients.

### **DISCUSSION**

The funds to purchase the aforementioned vehicles were approved in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 budget. The street sweeper truck will be used by the Public Works Stormwater Division to perform street cleaning and maintenance in support of the Chapel Hill Storm Water Management Division. The frontloading garbage trucks trucks will be used by the Public Works Sanitation Division in the Commercial collection operation.

### **BID PROCEDURES**

The "piggybacking" bid procedure is being used for this equipment. This process is authorized and explained in North Carolina General Statute 143-129(g). The process allows the Town to purchase this equipment at the same price as already bid to another government entity through the formal bid process. The City of Raleigh, North Carolina purchased the same make and model street sweeper on June 26, 2009 using a formal bid process. The City of Statesville purchased the same make and model frontloader on October 21, 2009 using a formal bid process. Using this method of procurement provides a known favorable price and a delivery time much shorter than what we would expect with a formal bid.

### **EVALUATION**

The street sweeper truck purchased by City of Raleigh and the frontloading garbage truck purchased by the City of Statesville meet all specifications for the Town of Chapel Hill and all items are within budgeted amounts in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Fleet Replacement Budget with the options and deletions included with the bids.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Council accept bid from Public Works Equipment and Supply, Inc. for the street sweeper truck at a total price of \$171,384, and the bid from Transource Truck and Trailer Center for two frontloading garbage trucks at a price of \$204,400 each. The total cost for the purchase of these vehicles is \$580,184.