



Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Solid Waste Vehicle Purchase - Single Source Vendor Selection

PURPOSE: The purpose of this item is to request authorization for the purchase of a solid waste vehicle for the Public Works Department from a sole source vendor.

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

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INFORMATION: The Adopted FY 2014-15 budget included funds to purchase a replacement solid waste vehicle for the Public Works Department. There are currently three solid waste vehicles in the Public Works fleet that are the drop frame type made by company called Labrie. These three trucks were purchased (over the course of 4 years) in an effort to standardize the fleet which improves efficiency in terms of maintenance and repairs. They are used for residential collection of trash as well as yard waste. The Labrie drop frame bodies have performed well and the Public Works Department recommends continuing with this standardization of the solid waste fleet.

The Amick Equipment in Mebane is the sole distributor and seller of the drop frame Labrie Body refuse trucks (with AutoCar chassis) for the North Carolina/South Carolina region. Per state statute (143-129(3)(6)) local governments may purchase from a sole source when (i) performance or price competition for a product are not available; (ii) a needed product is available from only one source of supply; or (iii) standardization or compatibility is the overriding consideration. With this statute in mind the Town solicited a price quote from the Amick Equipment as a sole source vendor. Their proposed price is \$298,957 and is considered by staff to be a fair price for this make/model of solid waste truck.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: The purchase of this truck was part of the equipment and vehicle lease-purchase schedule for FY 2014-15 and was included in the adopted budget for \$269,000. Savings of \$53,890 from the purchase of the leaf loader will be used to offset the increased cost of the solid waste truck.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Board of Aldermen adopt the attached resolution awarding a contract to Amick Equipment in the amount of \$298,957 for the purchase of a drop frame Labrie Body and AutoCar chassis solid waste truck.