

# BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. C(4)

## AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT MEETING DATE: October 20, 2009

**TITLE: A Request to Authorize the Waiver of Bidding Procedures and Authorization to Purchase a Refuse Truck**

<b>DEPARTMENT: Management Services</b>	<b>PUBLIC HEARING: YES ___ NO <u>x</u></b>
<b>ATTACHMENTS: A: Resolution</b>	<b>FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: George Seiz, Director of Public Works 918-7427 Sandy Svoboda, Purchasing Officer 918-7301</b>

### PURPOSE

The Board is requested to allow the town staff to waive the formal bidding procedures using the streamlined piggybacking procedures allowed by N.C. General Statute 143-129(g) for the purchase of a refuse truck. The Board is requested to adopt the attached resolution.

### INFORMATION

As allowed by law, staff is using piggybacking procedures to purchase the refuse truck. The law requires three conditions in purchasing under this process: the vendor must be willing to sell the items at a comparable or lower price; the contract with the other governmental jurisdiction must have been executed within the last twelve months; and an ad must be placed in the newspaper notifying vendors that the Town intends to purchase the vehicles using these procedures ten days prior to the Board meeting. An advertisement was placed in the Durham Herald Newspaper on October 9, 2009 to satisfy the legal requirement for the waiver of bidding procedures under G.S. 143-129(g) and the vendor has agreed to sell the truck at a price comparable to a contract awarded to Chatham County, NC within the past twelve months.

The town staff wishes to purchase a 2010 Autocar, Frontloader Refuse Truck from Amick Equipment of Lexington, South Carolina for a total cost of \$218,453.

Town staff believes that piggybacking on Chatham County's contract with this vendor will be the most cost effective and expeditious means to purchase the needed refuse truck. Without this piggyback option, the cost of the truck will increase approximately \$10,000.

### FISCAL IMPACT

This item is part of the scheduled FY08-09 CIP equipment and vehicle lease-purchase schedule. The cost of the truck is \$4,459 higher than the budgeted estimate. The true fiscal impact of this cost is the debt service which will be slightly higher, only if the overall installment financing proceeds to be borrowed exceeds budgeted amounts. However, staff will work to ensure that the overall budget for financed equipment will not exceed the budget.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The Board of Aldermen is requested to authorize the waiver of the bidding procedures and the purchase of the refuse truck from Amick Equipment Company in the amount of \$218, 453.