AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: September 6, 2011

TITLE: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 11, Article III, Section 11-19 of the Carrboro Town Code to Prohibit the Placement of Certain Items Within Dumpsters or Mobile Household Trash Containers

DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS	PUBLIC HEARING: YES or NO X
ATTACHMENTS:	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
A. Draft Ordinance	George Seiz – 918-7427
B. N.C.G.S. 130A-309.10 (f)	

PURPOSE

The purpose of this item is to request amendments to Chapter 11, Section 11-19 updating the list of waste items that may not be placed in roll-out containers or dumpsters for pickup and disposal in response to amendments to GS 130A-309.10(f), which contains the list of items that by statute may not be placed in North Carolina landfills.

INFORMATION

NCGS 130A-309.10(f) sets forth a list of items that cannot knowingly be placed in landfills in North Carolina. Effective July 1, 2011, the following additional items were prohibited from disposal in landfills: (1) discarded computer equipment; and (2) discarded televisions. Section 11-19(j) of the Carrboro Town Code lists the items that may not be placed in the roll-out waste containers and dumpsters for pickup by the Town. Due to the fact that items placed in the roll-out containers and dumpsters are disposed of in the Orange County Landfill, the lists contained in the Town Code should be consistent with the list contained in NCGS 130A-309.10(f).

Residents and businesses can dispose of computer equipment and televisions by using the Public Works Department's bulky item pickup service or by dropping them off at the Orange County Landfill.

FISCAL AND STAFF IMPACT

Amending the Town Code involves staff analysis and administration of the proposed amendment, and reduces the chance of liability for disposal of prohibited items in the landfill.

RECOMMENDATION

The staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen adopt the attached Ordinance Amending Chapter 11, Section 11-19 (j).