

Thursday, June 21, 2007

## Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 94

**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a contract through the Texas Building and Procurement Commission with TOTER INC., Statesville, NC, for the purchase of garbage carts for the Solid Waste Services Department in an amount not to exceed \$275,528.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Capital Budget of Solid Waste Services Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information: Lupe Cruz, Buyer I, 974-9142.

Purchasing Language: Cooperative Purchase.

**MBE/WBE:** This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). This contract is a Cooperative Purchase; therefore it is exempted under Chapter 252.022 of the Texas Local Government Code and no goals were established for this solicitation.

This contract is for the purchase of 6,200 (96 Gallon) brown carts to be issued by the Solid Waste Services Department (SWS) to the annexed areas of Circle C and Tanglewood Subdivisions. Currently these areas are receiving collection services from private haulers. Effective October 1, 2007, the City's Solid Waste Services Department will begin providing these services to approximately 6,000 residents in these areas.

Toter is the cart manufacturer, supplier, and is under contract with the Texas Building and Procurement Commission (TBPC) to supply these types/sizes of garbage carts statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process through TBPC under State Contract 450-A2. The City has previously purchased garbage carts manufactured by Toter and found them to perform satisfactorily. Purchase of garbage carts from Toter guarantees that all components (i.e. handles, wheels, lids, locking bars, etc.) are interchangeable, thus eliminating component problems associated with items not being in stock or available. Utilizing the TBPC contract provides volume discount pricing and the earliest opportunity to get delivery of the carts.