

## **RESOLUTION AWARDING PURCHASE ORDER FOR REAR-LOADING REFUSE TRUCKS**

**WHEREAS**, the Sanitation Department budgeted to purchase two rear-loading refuse trucks as replacements for equipment that exceeds fleet replacement criteria; and

**WHEREAS**, The Heil Company was awarded competitive bid contract #110223-THC on January 11, 2024, by Sourcewell (Staples, MN), a cooperative purchasing group that solicits competitive bids on a national scale and awards contracts for refuse collection vehicles with related equipment, accessories, and services; and

**WHEREAS**, Carolina Environmental Systems, Inc., the sole authorized Heil distributor for North Carolina, offered quotations for a 25 cubic yard rear-loading refuse truck per Sourcewell contract #110223-THC, at a cost of \$264,984, with standard options selected by the City, and for a 27 cubic yard rear loading refuse truck per Sourcewell contract #110223-THC at a cost of \$269,689, with the total cost for the two vehicles being \$534,673; and

**WHEREAS**, staff recommends that a purchase order be awarded to Carolina Environmental Systems, Inc. for two rear-loading refuse trucks. This recommendation is in accordance with N.C.G.S. 143-129(e)(3), an exception to formal bidding which authorizes “purchases made through a competitive bidding group purchasing program, which is a formally organized program that offers competitively obtained purchasing products and services at discount prices to two or more public agencies”.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem, upon approval of the Finance Committee, that a purchase order is hereby awarded to Carolina Environmental Systems, Inc., per Sourcewell contract #110223-THC for two rear-loading refuse trucks at a total cost of \$534,673.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that award of this purchase order constitutes a preliminary determination as to the qualifications of the bidder. The North Carolina Sheriff's Association and Sourcewell bid specifications, the company's offer, and the City's purchase order will constitute the contract. The City is not legally bound until the purchase order is duly executed by the City.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that these purchases are included in the FY 2025-26 capital budget and will be cash purchases.