

## Legislation Text

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### Underground Boring Tools and Pipe Splitters

**Action:**

- A. Approve the purchase of underground boring tools and pipe splitters by the sole source exemption,**
- B. Approve a contract with TT Technologies, Inc. for the purchase of underground boring tools and pipe splitters for the term of five years, and**
- C. Authorize the City Manager to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.**

**Staff Resource(s):**

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**Sole Source Exemption**

- NC General Statute Section 143-129(e)(6) provides that formal bidding requirements do not apply when:
  - Performance or price competition are not available;
  - A needed product is available from only one source or supply; or
  - Standardization or compatibility is the overriding consideration.
- Sole sourcing is necessary for this contract because there is only one supply source.
- City Council approval is required for any purchases made under the sole source exception.

**Explanation**

- This contract will provide underground boring tools and pipe splitters which Charlotte Water uses to replace pipes without compromising roadways and driveways, as well as providing needed maintenance and repairs performed on the tools as needed.
- Annual expenditures are estimated to be \$80,000.

**Charlotte Business INclusion**

This is a sole source contract and is exempt from the CBI Program.

**Fiscal Note**

Funding: Charlotte Water Operating Budget