# City of Charlotte

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center 600 East 4th Street Charlotte. NC 28202



## **Legislation Text**

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### **Airport Interior Compacting Trash Can and Recycling Units**

#### **Action:**

- A. Approve the purchase of BigBelly Smartbelly Double Stations, CLEAN software, and Fleet Services by the sole source exemption,
- B. Approve a contract with BigBelly Solar, Inc. for the purchase of BigBelly Smartbelly Double Stations, CLEAN software, and Fleet Services for the term of five years.
- 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 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**

- On May 9, 2016, City Council approved a five-year sole source contract with BigBelly Solar, Inc. for the purchase of compacting trash cans and recycling units.
- The units consist of a waste receptacle and recycling receptacle. Each receptacle is estimated to hold five times more volume than the current trash cans, which reduces the number of labor hours needed to service them.
- The Airport currently has 96 units installed. Due to Transportation Security Administration regulations, the units are only installed post-security. Additional units are needed to cover newly renovated and expanded Airport concourses.
- The units are integrated with CLEAN software, which enables Wi-Fi connection and can inform janitorial staff which cans are full and require emptying. Big Belly Solar, Inc. is the only company able to provide Aviation with a receptacle with this Wi-Fi technology.
- Annual expenditures are estimated to be \$132,000.
- This activity is occurring on airport property, located in Council District 3.

#### **Charlotte Business INClusion**

This is a sole source contract and is exempt (Part A: Appendix 1.27 of the Charlotte Business INClusion Policy).

#### **Fiscal Note**

Funding: Aviation Capital Investment Plan