

CITY OF ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
BID REQUEST NO. **FBR #843-12**

Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 143-129 **sealed** proposals for Truck Mounted Vacuum Street Sweeper for the City of Asheville will be received by Amy Patterson, Purchasing Manager, in the City of Asheville Purchasing Division, **until 3:00 o'clock on Tuesday, January 24, 2012** at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Please make note of the **Exceptions date of January 10, 2012**.

Proposal forms, instructions, specifications may be obtained at <http://Ashevilenc.gov/RFP> or the Purchasing Office Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Phone (828) 259-5950. If bid addenda are issued, they will be posted to this web site no less than seven (7) days prior to the bid opening date. Each addendum will be identified by number. It is the bidder's responsibility to check this page prior to submitting a bid response to assure that they have obtained all addenda that may have been issued for the bid package in question. Bid addenda should be acknowledged (signed) and included with the bid response. Bid responses submitted without acknowledged addenda may be rejected.

The City of Asheville has adopted a Minority Business Plan to encourage participation by minority businesses in the award of contracts. Bidders are hereby notified that this bid is subject to the provisions of that Plan. Questions regarding the Minority Business Plan may be directed to the Minority Business Coordinator at (828) 232-4566 or to the Office of the Purchasing Manager for the City of Asheville at the number shown above. It is the policy of the City to (1) provide minorities an equal opportunity to participate in all aspects of its contracting and procurement programs; to (2) prohibit any and all discrimination against persons or businesses in pursuit of these opportunities. Minority participation goals for procurement contracts are: 5% for African Americans; 2% Hispanic, Asian & Native Americans; and 18% for women-owned businesses.

Bidders are notified of a City policy that prohibits contracting with persons or firms who are delinquent in the payment of ad valorem taxes owed to the City of Asheville.

The City of Asheville reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.