

# MEMORANDUM

November 17, 2010

TO: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

FROM: Eric Stuckey, City Administrator

Russ Truell, Asst City Administrator, Finance & Administration

Becky Caldwell, Solid Waste Director

SUBJECT: Purchase of replacement knuckleboom truck

## <u>Purpose</u>

The purpose of this memorandum is to present information to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA) to consider the replacement of one (1) knuckleboom truck within the Solid Waste Department, with a newer demonstrator model.

#### Background

The unit in need of replacement is a 2001 Freightliner knuckleboom, with 91,396 miles. The Solid Waste Department used this truck extensively during flood clean-up in May, earlier this year. Currently, this truck is out of service in need of \$5,100+ worth of repairs. The approximate value of this unit is \$25,000.

### Financial Impact

This vehicle replacement is not included in the FY2011 approved budget, but was expected to be necessary in FY2012. A budget amendment will be necessary. The cost to purchase a 2011 Freightliner with Pac-Mac knuckleboom body demonstrator truck is \$113,883. The cost of a new knuckleboom truck is estimated at \$125-130,000.

#### Recommendation

Purchase of the 2011 demonstrator knuckleboom truck for \$113,883, which is available for immediate delivery through Stringfellow, Inc, in Nashville, Tennessee, is recommended.