

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: September 19, 2012

SUBJECT: Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Transit Van Lease

PRESENTER: Anthony W. Starr, AICP, Planning Director

ATTACHMENTS: None

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

The Board of Commissioners previously authorized staff to pursue grants and solicit bids for a compressed natural gas (CNG) transit van. The State of North Carolina issued a formal bid for light transit vehicles (15 passenger vans) that includes a CNG option. Henderson County has the ability to purchase this van through the state contract. Federal rules require the direct recipient of the FTA grant funds (City of Asheville) own the van. The required \$3,000 (approximate) local match is provided for in the FY 2013 budget. Henderson County must: (1) authorize the City of Asheville to issue a purchase order for the van, and (2) sign a lease agreement with the City of Asheville to put the van in service. The van is anticipated to be in service as early as spring 2013.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Staff requests the Board of Commissioners authorize the Planning Director to execute a lease agreement with the City of Asheville for the compressed natural gas (CNG) transit van (15 passenger).

Suggested Motion:

I move the Board authorize the Planning Director to execute a lease agreement with the City of Asheville for the transit van.