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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Schenectady Mayor Gary McCarthy Announces**  
**City and Niskayuna Jointly Purchase New Street Sweepers**

**Joint Purchase using Best Value National Cooperative Saves Local Taxpayers**

**Schenectady, NY** - Mayor Gary McCarthy today announced that the City of Schenectady is partnering with the Town of Niskayuna to purchase street sweepers through the national cooperative purchasing group, National Joint Powers Alliance. The City will be purchasing two street sweepers, which were part of the approved 2015 Capital Budget, using the "Best Value" law which awards contracts based on the lowest total cost for the taxpayers over the length of the contract. By procuring these major pieces of equipment in conjunction with Niskayuna, the City was able to negotiate a volume discount on the order saving the communities over \$23,000.

"Working cooperatively with Niskayuna, we were able to secure the best possible deal for local taxpayers," said Mayor McCarthy. "We continue to look for opportunities to effectively work with neighboring communities to provide valuable services to our residents in the most efficient manner possible."

"Using these valuable national cooperatives allows us to access larger buying power and gives residents the best product for their investment," said Niskayuna Town Supervisor Joe Landry. "We were happy to work with the City of Schenectady to find the best deal for both of our communities."

National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) is a public agency that serves as a purchasing cooperative for over 50,000 member agencies nationwide. NJPA offers cooperatively contracted products, equipment and service opportunities to entities throughout the country.