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## **WINTER PARK PURCHASING AGENT WINS BUYER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

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**WINTER PARK, Fla.** *a nationally recognized Crown Community and City Spirit Award winner* (April 14, 2006) – On April 7, 2006, Carrie Woodell, CFCM, A.P.P., the City of Winter Park's Purchasing Agent, received the 2006 Buyer of the Year Award from the Central Florida Chapter of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing, Inc. (NIGP).

Candidates for the Buyer of the Year Award are selected from nominations submitted by NIGP chapter affiliates, professional procurement colleagues, or nominees themselves. Ms. Woodell was selected based upon her experience, level of responsibilities, and active chapter involvement.

In addition to winning this award, Ms. Woodell will be inducted into Pi Alpha Alpha, the National Honor Society for the College of Public Administration, on April 20. As the Buyer of the Year Award recipient for the local chapter, Ms. Woodell has the opportunity to be selected as the National Buyer of the Year Award during the NIGP annual Forum and Products Expo in August.

Ms. Woodell has been a dedicated employee of the city's Purchasing Division since October 1999. She continues to further her professional career by seeking certification in her field including the receipt of the Accredited Purchasing Practitioner certification in April 2004 and the Certified Federal Contracts Manager certification in October 2002. She is currently a student at the University of Central Florida seeking a Bachelor's Degree in Public Administration with a minor in Emergency Management and Business Administration.

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