

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDATIONS ON CHANGES TO SOLID WASTE SERVICE

RECOMMENDATION 1

VOTE 14-0 IN FAVOR

EDUCATION

THE SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS A COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION CAMPAIGN TO BEGIN AT A MINIMUM 4 MONTHS PRIOR AT ANY CHANGES TO THE SOLID WASTE SERVICE.

Education campaign will coincide with any type of phase in program.

Campaign design will be comprehensive and sustained past implantation to ensure program success.

Funds dedicated for education should be set aside on an annual basis.

RECOMMENDATION 2

VOTE 14-0 IN FAVOR

SPILLOVER

THE SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS A PHASED-OUT ELIMINATION OF SPILLOVER PICK-UP SERVICE.

Spillover service is defined as pick-up of any regular garbage not fitting in the specified cart.

Yard waste service will continue based on the current policy.

RECOMMENDATION 3

VOTE 13-1 IN FAVOR

BULKY WASTE

THE SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS CONTINUING EXISTING SERVICE FOR BULKY ITEMS AND WHITE GOODS ON A CALL-IN BASIS.

Bulky items and white goods will be picked up according to an approved fee schedule.

Yard waste service will continue based on the current policy.

RECOMMENDATION 4

VOTE 14-0 IN FAVOR

RECYCLING

THE SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS A "CITYWIDE" SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING PROGRAM UTILIZING A 96-GALLON ROLL-OUT CART.

Roll-out carts will be provided to all residential customers at no additional/separate charge.

Recycling cart pick-up will be offered on a biweekly (every other week) schedule.

RECOMMENDATION 5

VOTE 14-0 IN FAVOR

RESIDENTIAL

THE SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS A WEEKLY RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE SERVICE UTILIZING A TWO-TIERED CART SIZE TO PROMOTE RECYCLING.

Residents will have the option of continuing service with the current 96-gallon roll-out cart or requesting a smaller 65-gallon roll-out cart for a reduced cost for the smaller cart, phased in after one year of transition.

Cart change fees/additional cart fee/backyard pick fees will apply based on an approved fee schedule.

Staff will conduct budget analysis based on recommended fee level and set a backyard pick-up fee for those residents needing/wanting backyard pick-up service. This fee level should take cost recovery into account.

RECOMMENDATION 6

FUNDING

VOTE 12-2 IN FAVOR OF A FEE-BASED SYSTEM

VOTE 12-1 IN FAVOR OF THE \$11.25/\$16.25 FEE LEVELS

THE SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS A FEE-BASED SYSTEM FOR FUNDING SOLID WASTE SERVICE.

FEE-BASED FUNDING OPTION WITH A RECOMMENDATION TO OPERATE A “SOLID WASTE UTILITY” AS A SELF-SUSTAINING ENTERPRISE FUND.

Customers will have a two-tiered monthly fee: \$11.25 per month per 65-gallon cart

\$16.25 per month per 96-gallon cart

Fee will be phased in over 2 years.

| | YEAR 1 | YEAR 2 |
|----------------|---------|---------|
| 96-gallon cart | \$11.25 | \$16.25 |
| 65-gallon cart | \$- | \$11.25 |

***65-GALLON CART OPTION WILL BEGIN IN YEAR TWO.**

Cart change fees/additional cart fee/backyard pick fees will apply based on an approved fee schedule and in addition to the monthly service fee.

The solid waste advisory committee recommends that the tax rate be decreased to create a revenue neutral budgeting of any monthly fee implementation.

RECOMMENDATION 7

VOTE 14-0 IN FAVOR

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

THE SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS IMPLEMENTATION OF A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO AID QUALIFYING RESIDENTS WITH THE MONTHLY SOLID WASTE FEE.

The assistance program will model the GEAR program currently in place.

Residents will qualify based on income as specified in the GEAR program based on approved HUD definitions of poverty.

Financial assistance will only be given based on income standards.

Staff will conduct budget analysis based on recommended fee level and set a reduced fee for residents qualifying for the assistance program.

RECOMMENDATION 8

VOTE 14-0 IN FAVOR

COMMERCIAL

THE SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS COMMERCIAL CUSTOMERS CONTRACT DIRECTLY WITH THE VENDOR OF THEIR CHOOSING FOR COMMERCIAL GARBAGE SERVICE, AND THAT THE CITY DISCONTINUE ADMINISTRATION OF SUCH.

RECOMMENDATION 9

VOTE 14-0 IN FAVOR

PRIVATIZATION

THE SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS CONTINUING EVALUATION OF PRIVATIZATION AND/OR COST EFFECTIVENESS OF ALL OR PART OF SOLID WASTE SERVICE.

As the program is phased in and evolves, more accurate financial emphasis can be evaluated to better determine the most cost effective delivery method for service(s).