

Commission Meeting

February 21, 2023

Augusta Waste Collection & Disposal Services

Department: Engineering & Environmental Services

Presenter: Hameed Malik, Director

Caption: Approve Supplementing Downtown Receptacles Waste Hauling Contract for

Removal & Disposal of "Contracted Non-Compliance Waste, Illegal Dumping and Recyclable Waste" Services to Coleman Sanitation. Also, approve \$150,000 to fund these Services. Requested by Engineering. Bid 19-

135. Supplemental Agreement to expire 12/31/2025.

Background: Augusta, Georgia Waste Collection & Disposal Services are provided by

three contractors, Waste Management, Georgia Waste System LLC (WM), Coastal Waste & Recycling (Coastal), and Coleman Sanitation Services

Company (Coleman)). Waste Management & Coastal are hauling

countywide household waste including recyclable, yard waste and bulky waste. However, these two haulers are not picking up non-compliance contracted waste as allowed under the waste collection contracts. Coleman has a separate contract and is limited to waste picking up from downtown

waste receptacles located throughout down business corridor only. Presently, noncompliance contracted waste, illegal dumping and recyclable waste at Augusta Recyclable Facility handling service is provided with in-house county forces by Engineering & Environmental Services Department (EESD). However, handling of non-compliance contracted waste, illegal dumping waste, and recyclable waste at the Recycling Facility by in-house

county forces is close to non-functional operation due to several factors. Critical variables are non-functional relevant equipment, inability of assigned three-person in-house forces team to handle relevant workload on full time &

regular basis. Director recommending contracting out non-compliance contracted waste, illegal dumping waste, and recyclable waste at the

Recycling Facility.

Analysis: Continuity of non-compliance contracted waste, illegal dumping waste, and

recyclable waste management is not only critical for maintaining level of services as promised to the Citizen under waste contracted services but also to minimize public health & safety exposure from unmanaged illegal dumped waste and contaminated recyclable waste accumulated at the Recycling facility. For continuity of uninterrupted aforementioned services/activities and keep Augusta clean, it is cost effective to supplement existing waste

hauling contracts for providing such services at negotiated fee. The Director

did an assessment of contract waste hauling contracts and recommending supplementing these services to Bid 19-135 (downtown waste receptacles collection. Reason being, other contract is countywide contract covering significantly large area served by two haulers. However, both haulers have miss-pick up history and potential conflict because these haulers are tagging contracted waste as non-compliance waste and accordingly can generate extra work for themselves that will cost Augusta more.

Funds available in the amount of \$150,000 in Environmental Services **Financial Impact:**

Operations funds (542044110/5239110).

Alternatives: No alternate proposed

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Funds are available in

(\$150,000) Environmental Services Operation-542044110-52.39110 the following accounts:

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