



Staff Report – Meeting Item

Recycling and Yard Debris Contract
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INTRODUCTION/PURPOSE/SUMMARY: The City had worked with Waste Connections Inc. (WCI) last year on a new Recycling and Yard Debris contract. The contract had expired in July of 2019, but through a mutual agreement was extended through the end of 2019 while we worked on some revised language. Staff presented the draft Final Contract on December 16, 2019 to Council. In general, Council had some minor comments but no changes were made to the contract based on those comments. The intent from staff was to place it on the January 6, 2020 consent agenda for approval and signature by the Mayor however this did not happen. WCI has been working since January 2020 as if the contract had been approved. Below are some of the key highlights of the new contract that were present back in December.

Some of the key changes are:

- WCI will be purchasing Recycling containers and not the City. The City had been purchasing containers for WCI with Solid Waste rates paying for the containers. WCI will increase Recycling rates by \$0.30 per month to fund Recycling containers.
- The annual CPI adjustment for WCI has been changed to the Urban Wage Earners/Clerical Workers (CPI-W). This matches our Finance Departments method for annual CPI adjustment. This will be calculated in August so any WCI rate changes can be adopted by Council prior to the end of the year. Previously, Recycling and Yard Debris rates were adjusted in April of the following year.
- Language has been added for the potential collection of food waste (organics) in the future.
- Some additional clarification to Holiday and Inclement Weather language.
- Added City Hall Annex and future City buildings to free collection by WCI

BUDGET IMPACT: \$0.30 rate increase to Recycling rates for container costs plus \$0.12 and \$0.05 for 2020 CPI and wage adjustments respectively.

RECOMMENDATION/RECOMMENDED ACTION/ACTION REQUESTED: Staff recommends the City Council approve the contract for Recycling and Yard Debris between the City of Camas and Waste Connections Inc.