

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Solid Waste Management Plan
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested for the adoption of the Solid Waste Management Plan for the Columbus Consolidated Government that covers the years 2019 through 2028. This plan has been developed to establish a roadmap to achieve the goals of reducing and managing solid waste within Muscogee County (except within the Fort Benning Military Reservation).
INITIATED BY:	Public Works

Recommendation: Approval is requested for the adoption of the Solid Waste Management Plan for the Columbus Consolidated Government that covers the years 2019 through 2028. This plan has been developed to establish a roadmap to achieve the goals of reducing and managing solid waste within Muscogee County (except within the Fort Benning Military Reservation).

Background: The Columbus Consolidated Government developed its Solid Waste Management Plan dated 2019-2028 in conjunction with the rules and regulations set forth by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources Environmental Protection Division and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs. The expired plan was last revised and approved by City Council in 2011 to reflect legislative changes.

Analysis: The Department of Public Works will continue to plan and update the SWMP as needed based on operational and legislative needs.

Financial Considerations: Funding was approved through the fiscal 2019 budget process for \$70,000.00 for the development of the plan and a Cost of Service Rate Study.

Legal Considerations: The Consolidated Government of Columbus is required by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources; Environmental Protection Division to develop and maintain a SWMP.

Recommendation/Action: Adoption by resolution is requested for the Solid Waste Management Plan (2019-2028).

A RESOLUTION

NO.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN, THE SWMP FOR THE CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT COVERS THE YEARS 2019 THROUGH 2028 AND HAS BEEN DEVELOPED TO ESTABLISH A ROADMAP TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS OF REDUCING AND MANAGING SOLID WASTE WITHIN MUSCOGEE COUNTY (EXCEPT WITHIN THE FORT BENNING MILITARY RESERVATION).

WHEREAS, the Columbus Consolidated Government developed its Solid Waste Management Plan dated 2019-2028 in conjunction with the rules and regulations set forth by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources Environmental Protection Division and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs; and,

WHEREAS, the adopted Solid Waste Management Plan establishes Permitting restrictions for any solid waste handling facility requesting permission to site, operate, or expand in Muscogee County; and,

WHEREAS, the implementation of the Solid Waste Management Plan will better identify and establish guidelines for waste reduction and recycling; and,

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Management Plan describes the projected amount and type of solid waste generated in Columbus that will require management over the next ten years; and,

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Management Plan addresses the policies, facilities and programs in place to reduce and manage solid waste in Columbus; and,

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Management Plan establishes specific goals for the next ten years and strategies to achieve them; and,

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Management Plan presents an action plan that identifies how Columbus and others will implement the strategies and achieve its goals.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA HERBY RESOLVES:

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to adopt the Solid Waste Management Plan dated 2019-2028 as Columbus Consolidated Government's guiding document for the management of solid waste.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the _____ day
of _____ 2019 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of ten members of said
Council.

Councilor Allen voting	_____.
Councilor Barnes voting	_____.
Councilor Crabb voting	_____.
Councilor Davis voting	_____.
Councilor Garrett voting	_____.
Councilor House voting	_____.
Councilor Huff voting	_____.
Councilor Thomas voting	_____.
Councilor Turner Pugh voting	_____.
Councilor Woodson voting	_____.

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson, Mayor