



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Title: Request for Council Action – Approving Resolution 32 for multi-family recycling by Sweet Home Sanitation Service

Preferred Agenda: November 13, 2023

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Type of Action: Resolution X Motion Roll Call Other

Relevant Code/Policy: Sweet Home Ordinance 1117 (Franchise Agreement)

Towards Council Goal: Effective and efficient government, viable and sustainable essential services

Attachments: Resolution No. 32

Purpose of this RCA:

Determining to approve the Resolution for passage concerning DEQ requirements for a Resolution stating that its regulations on recycling services and education are being followed concerning multi-family dwelling complexes within cities above a population of 10,000.

Background/Context:

When a city exceeds a population of more than 10,000 it must comply with certain DEQ requirements providing for multi-family recycling. DEQ requires a city to place these requirements in written form. Sweet Home Sanitation Service already provides said recycling services at multi-family dwelling complexes. The City will provide residents with educational information about recycling to comply with DEQ regulations as set forth in the proposed Resolution.

The Challenge/Problem:

The City of Sweet Home’s population has recently increased to over 10,000 citizens. With this increase come additional requirements from the DEQ related to multi-family unit recycling service and associated education. While Sweet Home Sanitation Service is currently providing the required services to multi-family units, the City of Sweet Home does not currently have written acknowledgment and commitment to educational requirements related to the availability of recycling services for these units.

Stakeholders:

- City of Sweet Home Citizens – Citizens of Sweet Home living in multi-family residences will receive increased education regarding recycling opportunities.
- City of Sweet Home Employers – There is no direct impact to employers.

- City of Sweet Home Staff – Staff will be responsible for determining the content, methodology, and frequency of citizen education in accordance with DEQ requirements.
- City of Sweet Home City Council – There is no direct impact to City Council.

Issues and Financial Impacts:

Staff will need to determine the cost of providing educational materials to multi-family residents in alignment with the 2023-2034 budget by the deadline of January 1, 2024.

Elements of a Stable Solution:

Compliance with the DEQ requirements concerning multi-family recycling will ensure the City is not subject to enforcement actions and penalties.

Options:

1. Do Nothing – Do not authorize the resolution providing written acknowledgment of and commitment to DEQ education requirements.
2. Adopt Resolution No. 32 for 2023 as currently proposed – Adoption of the resolution formalizes the City's commitment to providing multi-family recycling education in accordance with DEQ requirements.

Recommendation:

Option 2 is the recommended option: Motion to pass the Resolution as presented.