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AGENDA ITEM COMMENTARY

MEETING NAME: City Council

MEETING DATE: April 7, 2025

ITEM TITLE: Consider and take appropriate action on progress update for the

solid waste contractor transition.

STAFF INITIATOR: Rick Scott, ACM

BACKGROUND:

The contract start date with South Plains Waste Service is May 1, 2025. Staff have been meeting with South Plains Waste on a weekly basis. Everything is going well, and we are on schedule to meet the May 1st start date.

Representatives from South Plains Waste and Staff have been coordinating the transition with Republic Services and Republic has been very cooperative and helpful through the process.

Letters advising of the transition to a new provider went out to commercial businesses last week. Informational brochures will be mailed out this week to customers serviced by carts and dumpsters.

Republic Services plans to start removing their dumpsters the week of April 28th and South Plains Waste plans to follow behind them, placing new dumpsters. South Plains Waste has been staging new dumpsters and equipment in preparation for the transition. It is their belief that they can complete the dumpster transition during that week.

Regular cart service is on Thursdays. Republic Services will service, and pick up their carts on Thursday, May 1st and South Plains Waste will follow behind them, delivering new carts.

South Plains Waste will be offering a new service for cart customers. Cart customers will be able to purchase extra bags for overflow trash that can be filled and placed by their cart for pickup.

Staff have been working on finalizing plans for the new Bulky Waste Station. Perimeter fencing has been scheduled to start soon and specifications for the automated equipment process are being finalized. Site improvements, to include fencing, electrical, lighting, automation equipment and security equipment, are expected to cost approximately \$65,387.00.

EXHIBITS:

Cart Service Transition Flyer

Dumpster Service Transition Flyer

Solid Waste Service Informational Pamphlet

COUNCIL ACTION/STAFF RECOMMENDATION: