AGENDA ITEM COMMENTARY



MEETING NAME: City Council

MEETING DATE: September 16, 2024

ITEM TITLE: Consider and take appropriate action on discussion of Solid Waste

Request for Proposals

STAFF INITIATOR: Rick Scott, ACM

BACKGROUND:

The current solid waste contract with Republic Waste Services, which began on April 1, 2011, expires on March 31, 2025. It is our intention to notify Republic Waste Services that we will not be renewing the existing contract. In addition, we will issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit bids for solid waste management.

As we continue to structure the RFP and look forward to a new contract, we are seeking the Council's feedback or concerns on anything related to the RFP, to include the following topics:

- The current contract does not provide for Bulky Trash service for residents. There are a couple of options.
 - o Continue as we are currently
 - o Contractor provided house-by-house bulky service
 - A central drop off location that is manned, on a regular schedule, by City employees and serviced by the contractor
- Customer Complaints are currently handled by City staff. Do we want to continue this or require the contractor to handle customer complaints?
- The current contract does not have a "Liquidated Damages" clause. These would be fees assessed to the contractor in the event that the contractor fails to meet contractual requirements, and this failure is caused by the contractor.
 - If Liquidated Damages are included, this may necessitate that any customer complaints be directed to City Staff.

Additionally, under our current contract, the City is billed based on the number of containers. It is our intent to structure any future contract so that billing is based on the number of customers, not the number of containers.

EXHIBITS:

COUNCIL ACTION/STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

This is a discussion item only. Requesting Council input.