



CITY OF COCONUT CREEK CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

Government Center
4800 W. Copans Road
Coconut Creek, Florida

Date: November 8, 2018
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Workshop Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rydell called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.

2. PRESENT UPON ROLL CALL:

Mayor Joshua Rydell
Vice Mayor Sandra L. Welch
Commissioner Rebecca A. Tooley
Commissioner Lou Sarbone
Commissioner Mikkie Belvedere
City Manager Mary C. Blasi
City Attorney Terrill C. Pyburn
City Clerk Leslie Wallace May

3. DISCUSSION – SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICES

City Manager Mary Blasi opened the discussion and explained that staff was working on a Request for Proposals (RFP) for solid waste hauling and recycling collection services to begin on October 1, 2019. She noted that the purpose of the workshop was to discuss the scope of services of the RFP and establish a vision for garbage collection, hauling, and recycling. She noted that the City hired David Dee, Esquire, as a consultant to assist with this matter.

City Attorney Pyburn introduced Mr. Dee and gave a brief summary of his experience and expertise involving solid waste and recycling, noting that he would assist in procuring the next solid waste contract.

Public Works Director Jim Berkman began a *PowerPoint* presentation and gave a brief overview of solid waste collection services in the city, including collection amounts and pick-up schedules. He summarized the current collection services for solid waste, bulk, and yard waste and discussed alternate collection schedule options for each service. He noted that reducing collection services would reduce costs but require a re-education campaign and possibly larger collection bins.

Mr. Berkman discussed current recycling services provided for single-family and multi-family communities and the alternate options to reduce collection services. He noted that multi-family communities have the option to add additional collection services, which the community pays directly to the hauler. He discussed the various types of materials collected and provided a summary of the costs and values associated with the different types of material. He noted that there was a 48 percent recycling credit on materials that are processed at waste to energy facilities, which helps to reduce the city's overall disposal costs. He commented that staff would recommend cutting back on the collection of some materials that cost more to process

in order to keep the overall costs down.

Mr. Berkman provided an explanation of the different types of recyclable plastic materials, noting that there was not a high market value for plastics numbered three through seven and that the city loses money when recycling those materials. He provided a summary of the financial effects of removing the recommended materials from the current recycling program. He spoke about alternate options for collection and processing of recyclable materials, including dual stream recycling, and the issues associated with the alternatives. He discussed the following options for consideration in preparing the RFP:

- Roll-out dumpster pricing for multi-family and/or commercial;
- Adding recycling costs to single-family rates rather than using separate line items;
- One time per week garbage pick-up for single-family;
- Frequency of bulk pick-up;
- Alternate contract term (current contract provides for a four-year term with renewal option);
- Collection of loose cardboard at curb;
- Annual steam/pressure cleaning of recycling/garbage carts;
- Requirements for new dumpsters;
- Requirements for plastic dumpsters for all multi-family (currently the Wynmoor community is utilizing plastic dumpsters for ease of maintenance);
- Penalties for unresolved complaints, oil spills, etcetera; and
- Requirement for the types of hauling trucks to be utilized for collection services that address fuel type and age of trucks.

Mr. Berkman spoke about contamination and discussed various ways to address the issue, such as attending audit sampling, public re-education, and field audits.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Public outreach efforts to educate the residents on recyclable materials and waste collection procedures;
- Educating students about recycling;
- Exploring alternate pick-up schedules for solid and bulk waste;
- Drop off locations for recyclable materials;
- Possible incentives for the usage of recyclable bags and materials;
- Different types of collection bins and dumpsters; and
- Maintenance and sanitation of dumpsters and trucks.

City Manager Blasi explained the history of the weekly bulk collection schedule and the importance of maintaining the schedule for the removal of vegetative waste. She spoke about simplifying the city's recycling collection materials to include plastics with numbers 1 and 2, aluminum and steel cans, and cardboard. Discussion ensued regarding including city recyclable drop-off locations in the RFP.

Joanne Stanley, Manager of Municipal Services for Republic Services, mentioned that the company had discussed offering free drop-off centers in all municipalities for cardboard disposal. She offered to meet with staff to identify a few locations within the city for use as a cardboard drop-off site. She gave a brief summary of the customer incentive rewards program offered by Republic Services.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

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Leslie Wallace May, MMC
City Clerk

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