



CITY OF COCONUT CREEK CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

**Government Center
4800 W. Copans Road
Coconut Creek, Florida**

**Date: February 9, 2017
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Commission Workshop**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Belvedere called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

PRESENT UPON ROLL CALL:

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

ALSO PRESENT:

Karen M. Brooks, Assistant City Manager/Finance & Administrative Services Director
Jim Berkman, Public Works Director
Mike Heimbach, Public Works Operations Manager
Sheila Rose, Sustainable Development Director
Yvonne Lopez, Community Relations Director

DISCUSSION – SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICES

City Manager Blasi explained that staff was preparing a Request for Proposal (RFP) for solid waste and recycling collection services, and the purpose of the workshop was to gather input from the Commission and the public to assist in the RFP process. She introduced Public Works Director Jim Berkman. Mr. Berkman provided an overview of events since the last RFP in 2015 and explained that the existing contract with Republic Services for solid waste and recycling collection services was set to expire in September 2017. He reviewed the services provided under the current contract:

- **Bulk/Yard Waste Collection**

Mr. Berkman stated that the current frequency of bulk/yard waste collection was one time per week. Consensus was given to maintain the current level of service. Commissioner Tooley asked for additional community outreach to educate the residents on the bulk/yard waste guidelines.

- **Single-family Recycling Collection and Commercial Recycling Collection**

Mr. Berkman stated that the current frequency of single-family recycling collection was one time per week on the day opposite of bulk collection day. Discussion ensued regarding recyclable materials and single stream recycling. Commissioner Tooley asked for a separate workshop discussion on single stream recycling. City Manager Blasi read the City's solid waste and recycling statistics. Discussion ensued regarding commercial recycling and if an ordinance should be drafted to mandate commercial establishments in the City to recycle. It was noted that many of the businesses and largest employers in the City had recycling programs.

Consensus was given to maintain the current frequency for single-family recycling collection, and to implement City Manager Blasi's suggestion to streamline the solid waste and recycling collection billing to a single line item.

- **Single-family Garbage Frequency**

Mr. Berkman stated that the current frequency of single-family garbage collection was two times per week collected on Monday/Thursday, Tuesday/Friday, or Wednesday/Saturday, depending on location within the City. Discussion ensued regarding the frequency.

Consensus was given to maintain the current level of service.

- **Multi-family Recycling**

Mr. Berkman explained that the frequency for multi-family recycling collection was coordinated between the multi-family developments and the recycling collection provider, and not determined by the City.

- **CNG Requirement for Vehicles**

Mr. Berkman discussed the requirement for the waste/recycling collection provider to use compressed natural gas (CNG) for their vehicles. Discussion ensued regarding CNG and clean diesel fuel.

- **Processing Facilities**

Mr. Berkman reviewed the processing facilities utilized for the following waste collected:

- Garbage – Wheelabrator North Trash Transfer Station
- Bulk Trash – Sun-Bergeron Sun 2 Facility
- Yard Waste – Sun-Bergeron Sun 7 Facility
- Single Stream Recycling – Sun-Bergeron Sun 11 Facility

Public Works Operations Manager Mike Heimbach discussed yard waste collection, and discussion ensued regarding the Sun-Bergeron Sun 7 Facility. Mr. Berkman commented that the current facilities would continue to be used, and City Manager Blasi added that changes may be needed in the future regarding the use of the Wheelabrator North Transfer Station. She gave an update on the Broward County Solid Waste Study. Discussion ensued regarding countywide waste-to-energy facility use and landfill use.

Vice Mayor Rydell asked for the Commission to be notified when the selection committee meetings would take place after the RFP was issued.

Mr. Berkman reported that service complaints under the current contract had gone down. He discussed potential penalties to consider for the new contract for service issues, such as failure to complete a route or missing neighborhoods. Consensus was given to include penalties in the RFP, and Vice Mayor Rydell asked to add damage to trees and property to the list of penalties.

Matt Morrall, representative for Republic Services, stated that they were happy with the partnership with the City. He discussed the recycling goals set by the State Legislature and noted that there had been discussions that the Legislature would re-evaluate the goals during the 2017 legislative session to address the market trends. He commented on the proposed penalties to be included in the RFP and stated that solid waste haulers already factor those costs into pricing.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Transcribed by Marianne Bowers

Leslie Wallace May, MMC
City Clerk

Dated