

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council Members

FROM: James Scarboro, Purchasing Officer

DATE: June 8, 2020

SUBJECT: Additional Backup on Item no. 35, for Trash, Recycling, and Organics

Collection Services for the Central Business District, on the June 11, 2020 Council

Meeting Agenda

This memo provides additional backup on Item no. 35, on the July 11, 2020, Council Meeting Agenda, to authorize a contract with Texas Disposal Systems, Inc., to provide trash, recycling, and organics collection services for the Central Business District.

Item

The contract recommended in this item is the result of solicitation no. IFB 1500 SLW1036. This solicitation published on December 9, 2019 and closed February 20, 2020. The background on this item is the same as it was for item No.17, approved by Council on April 9, 2020. This previous item included a memo as backup with more detailed information explaining the background and staff's decision to proceed with recommending the item, which is the same as staff applied in this case. A link to the memo can be found here.

Like the previous item, staff have communicated with the recommended contractor our intention to clarify the contract after its executed, to specifically identify their landfill as being allowable under the contract. Staff does not view Council's authorization of this contract as approving or condoning the Landfill Criteria Matrix, or its further use. Staff acknowledges that the Landfill Criteria Matrix does not currently reflect Council's policy and that we do not intend to apply it without further direction.

Should you have any questions or would like any additional information concerning this item feel free to contact me by email (james.scarboro@austintexas.gov) or by phone (512-974-2050).

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