

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL & RECYCLING SERVICES CONTRACT WITH REPUBLIC SERVICES, INC.

October 14, 2019 Work Session



Timeline

- Fall 2016 City staff partnered with ASU School of Sustainability to produce research and findings on the comparable cities/towns solid and hazardous waste practices
- June 8, 2017 City council heard presentation on ASU report which helped compare the best practices of other cities and towns to that of Apache Junction's current practice
- Fall 2017 City staff partnered with ASU School of Sustainability to provide a more in depth review of the Apache Junction solid waste practices and provide recommendations to enhance quality of service, policies and procedures
- April 3, 2018 City council heard presentation on ASU report which helped identify areas
 of improvement to Apache Junction's current approach to solid and hazardous waste
 practices
- May 1, 2018 City Council Meeting Mayor and City Council unanimously directed staff to research further and prepare draft a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a single hauler curbside residential solid waste program.



Timeline Cont'd

- Winter 2018/Spring 2019 Staff researched and crafted a RFP for Residential Solid Waste and Recycling Disposal Services
- May 6, 2019 Work Session City staff presented a draft RFP to the Mayor and City Council and received feedback.
- June 10, 2019 City issued RFP for contracted single hauler residential solid waste and recycling disposal services
- July 2019- city received 3 bid responses and staff evaluated all 3 responses
- August 6, 2019 City council heard presentation on the RFP and evaluation process. Staff made recommendation for the city to enter into contract negotiations with Republic Services, Inc.



Why a Single Hauler?

- Provide lower rates to residential customers
- Parity in the low rates all residential customers pay the same (no hidden fees which currently can be applied to some and not others)
- Residents share equally in the cost
- Additional services same service customers are accustomed to now PLUS once a month curbside bulk trash pick up
- Environmental impact less collection truck traffic on residential streets





Who is Included?

All residential units which are defined as:

Single family homes

Duplexes

Triplexes

Four-plexes



The Contract - Services

- Twice weekly trash collection PLUS once a month bulk trash pick up \$10.71 per month (\$32.13 per quarter); or
- Twice weekly trash collection PLUS once a week recycling pick up PLUS month bulk trash pick up \$18.71 per month (\$56.13 per quarter).
- These prices are inclusive of ALL fees and surcharges
- Quarterly billing with a 2% discount for customers who opt to pay on an annual basis

- The contract provides for a seasonal service suspension up to 6 months at no charge to accommodate our winter residents



Residents will Still Enjoy These Services

- Free quarterly dump weeks each year
- Two household hazardous waste events each year
- Local rates at landfill



The Contract - Terms

- Initial term of 8 years commencing in March 2020 with option for two additional 1-year terms for a total of 10 years
- Rate increases Republic Services may submit written request to the city with justification for a rate increase up to one time per year. Rates shall only increase according to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Water, Sewer and Trash Collection
- Administrative Fee of 8% of total revenue shall be payable to the city on a quarterly basis to cover the cost of the two annual household hazardous waste events and for contract oversight
- HOAs with current contracts for solid waste services will be honored through the term of each respective contract.



What to Expect Next

- November 5th Council Meeting Public Hearing and consideration of contract
- November 18th Council Work Session Council discussion on proposed solid waste ordinance
- December 3rd Council Meeting Public hearing and consideration of proposed solid waste ordinance
- December through March Public information campaign and educating residential customers on the who, when, and how of transitioning solid waste services



Questions?

