

Meeting Minutes Solid Waste District Governing Body

Thursday, November 1, 2018 11:00 AM

City Chambers

NOTE: This is a draft copy of the minutes of the 11-01-2018 Solid Waste District Special Meeting, has not been approved by the Commission and is subject to change.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The Solid Waste District Special Meeting was called to order at 11:03 a.m. in City Chambers by Vice-Mayor Yates.

Present: Mayor Carusone; Vice-Mayor Yates; Commissioners Hanks, Luke and McDowell; Assistant City Manager Branco; City Attorney Slayton; Recording Secretary Hale and Police Chief Garrison.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Commission.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – COMMISSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Luke, seconded by Commissioner Hanks, to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion carried by the following vote with Mayor Carusone absent:

Yes: 4 - Vice-Mayor Yates, Commissioner Hanks, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Luke

2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS:

A. <u>18-662</u> Single Source procurement with Resource Recovery Systems LLC, for recyclable materials processing for the City of North Port Solid Waste District at a cost not to exceed \$960,000.

Assistant City Manager Branco provided a review of the item. Public Works Director Bellia and Solid Waste Manager Lama presented Staff's recommendations.

Discussion ensued: (1) clarification was provided that: [a] the Agreement is contingent upon the Agreement with Sarasota County and without a County Agreement this Agreement is void after 60 days; [b] the switch is anticipated to happen around February, 2019; [c] the storage building is a canopy covering not a solid structure; (2) as of September 30, 2018, Public Works started arrangements to separate from Sarasota County therefore, the City is tied to this short-term contract; (3) the 60 days will be sufficient time to separate from the County and some preliminary background work has already begun; (4) the City will see a return on investment in approximately three years; (5) Sarasota County increased their rates for recycling nearly 200%; (6) with the new recycling plan, there will no longer be share guarantees and the 200% increase in price was considered an average; (7) Vice-Mayor Yates voiced concern: [a] whether going to recycle in-house makes good economic sense at this time; [b] an analysis has not been performed before moving forward with this plan; [c] the City should take six months, go out for bids and see what makes more sense for North Port; (8) clarification was provided that: [a] in the latter suggestion, the City would have to stop taking everything to Sarasota County and the relationship would be severed; [b] Sarasota County prohibits collecting recyclables in their landfill; [c] it is not feasible or efficient to require Staff to travel two different directions for trash and recyclables; [d] the City made a substantial investment in the recycling program; [e] Staff did the best they could with the short amount of time allotted to secure an interim plan; (9) the SSR is a single-stream recycle company, located on near Orange Avenue in Sarasota, and that is another option, but it would be a daily two hour drive round trip for Staff and would require some overtime; (10) a normal contract would be approximately \$95 per ton to Orange Avenue or \$125 using the transfer station on Jackson Road; (11) utilizing a City collection site the price per ton could be \$95 because the City would remove the contaminants prior to transport; (12) to keep recyclables dry, there is an option to purchase a truck that would keep and transport the materials and eliminate the need for overtime; (13) clarification was provided that the City is locked in to the use of this company due of the way Sarasota County's contract is written and this is the only cost-effective, time-sensitive way of to resolve the situation at this time. There was no public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Luke, to approve the Agreement 2019-27 for the recycling materials using Republic Contract as presented, with no changes. The motion carried by the following vote with Vice-Mayor Yates dissenting for reasons stated and with Mayor Carusone absent:

- Yes: 3 Commissioner Hanks, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Luke
- **No:** 1 Vice-Mayor Yates
- **B.** <u>18-702</u> Utilize City property located at 5455 Pan American Boulevard (Tract D, 43rd Addition,) to develop and operate a recycling center for the transfer of recyclable material to a processor.

Assistant City Manager Branco provided an introduction after which Public Works Director Bellia and Solid Waste Manager Lama presented a brief overview of the item.

Discussion ensued: (1) the "estimated total" and "total estimated cost" were the best estimates the Solid Waste Division could present; (2) the contamination costs were included within the quote from the Jackson Road Transfer Station; (3) "Variables" were defined as tires, towing, maintenance etc. as it applied to the different categories; (4) the Contamination amounts were different due to the location to which recyclables are transported by the company or by the City and utilizing a transfer center; (5) the sorter/loader for \$60,000 is scheduled to be purchased in Fiscal Year 2019-20 and reserve funds will be used to purchase the truck and hire a driver; (6) employees in Parks & Recreation will be using a building on site and are amenable to sharing the location with Public Works.

Mayor Carusone arrived at 12:34 p.m. and Vice-Mayor Yates passed the gavel to her.

Discussion continued: (1) a pest control program is in place; (2) the costs of the last two

columns of the spreadsheet was figured without the City's collection center; (3) the difference on the \$280,000 in the Processing/Market Share line is with the City transporting to the processors door, and the \$580,000 is when their transfer station is used; (4) the last two columns do not include the cost of a North Port recycle center; (5) the second column, Sarasota Single SSR (self-haul) has other cost factors such as travel time; (6) the fourth column considers only one truck and trailer's daily travel to the SSR facility on Orange Avenue; (7) it was suggested that a decision can be made with updated figures in a few weeks and then a Request for Proposal can be advertised; (8) Staff can prepare analysis and requested to schedule a Special Solid Waste District Meeting the second week in November. There was no public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Luke, to continue the discussion on the recycling center and the covering on the Pan American Boulevard location to a future meeting with updated figures on the estimated annual cost reflecting the concerns expressed by the Commission so far.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Yates, seconded by Commissioner Luke, to amend the motion, to have Staff look at and bring alternatives with consideration of the recycling market and new alternatives. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Carusone, Vice-Mayor Yates, Commissioner Hanks, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Luke

A vote was taken on the main motion as amended, to continue the discussion on the recycling center and the covering on the Pan American Boulevard location to a future meeting with updated figures on the estimated annual cost reflecting the concerns expressed by the Commission so far; and to have Staff look at and bring alternatives with consideration of the recycling market and new alternatives. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Yes: 5 Mayor Carusone, Vice-Mayor Yates, Commissioner Hanks, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Luke
- **C.** <u>18-743</u> Utilize Sourcewell (formerly known as National Joint Powers Alliance) contract to purchase one (1) structure from ClearSpan Fabric Structures International in the estimated amount of \$180,000, which includes contingency.

Director Bellia requested a continuance of this item to a future Solid Waste District Meeting to be decided.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Yates, seconded by Commissioner Luke, to continue this item to a future Solid Waste District Meeting to be decided. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Carusone, Vice-Mayor Yates, Commissioner Hanks, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Luke

4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

5. COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS:

There were no Commission communications.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGAL REPORTS:

There were not Administrative or Legal reports.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Carusone adjourned the Solid Waste District Special Meeting at 12:48 p.m.

City of North Port, Florida As the Solid Waste District Governing Body

By:

Christopher B. Hanks, Mayor

Attest:

Kathryn Peto, City Clerk

Minutes approved at the Solid Waste District Regular Meeting this ____ day of ____, 2018.