

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

TO: Mayor via City Secretary

Subject: Ordinance approving and authorizing an updated Agreement between the City of Houston and Waste Corporation of Texas, L.P. for Landfill Disposal and Waste Transfer Station Operation Services.

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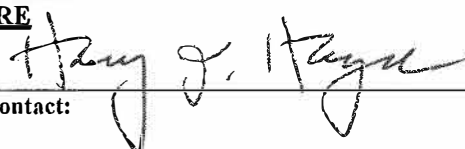
FROM (Department or other point of origin):

Origination Date

Agenda Date

Solid Waste Management Department

DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE



Council District(s) affected

ALL

Harry J. Hayes, Director

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Date and Identification of prior authorizing Council Action:

Landfill Ordinances: 88-1547; 91-770; 99-645
Motions: 2001-1090

RECOMMENDATION: (Summary)

Approve an Ordinance authorizing an updated Agreement with Waste Corporation of Texas, L.P. for Landfill Disposal and Waste Transfer Station Operation Services.

Funding

Current Allocation \$250,000.00
Maximum Contract Amount: \$2,000,000.00

Finance Budget

General Fund: 1000

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:

This Agreement for Landfill Disposal and Waste Transfer Station Operation Services (Agreement) with Waste Corporation of Texas, L.P. by WCA Texas Management General, Inc., its sole General Partner, (Contractor) is one of several disposal contracts with comparable rates that the Department of Solid Waste Management (Department) maintains in order to have disposal facilities in as many sectors of the city as possible for operational efficiency and reduced expense due to shorter travel distances. This updated Agreement will increase operational efficiencies and cost savings by using the following disposal sites: WCA-Greenbelt, WCA-Ruffino Hills Transfer Station, WCA-Ralston Road Landfill and WCA-Hardy Road Landfill. Most Benefiting sectors of the Department's operations are Southwest Houston, North Central Houston and Northeast Houston. Costs related to fleet operations and personnel will benefit from the newly added disposal sites as follows: reduced travel time to/from collection areas, lower fuel expense, reduction in payroll overtime and improved route completion.

There will be a subsequent net reduction in spending authority with the Republic Waste Services Contract particularly in SW Operations, as a result of improved management of disposed tons. Due to increased traffic challenges created by housing/population growth, the Department continues to leverage geographically advantageous disposal assets to effectively deliver solid waste services.

The history of this Agreement follows: Four (4) multi-year contracts, C28582, C28583, C28584 and C28585, with Waste Management, Inc., successor in interest to BSI-Western Industries Inc., Sanifill and USA Waste Systems, for the disposal of non-putrescible solid waste at their Hardy Road, Tanner Road, Indian Paint Brush, Green Shadow and Fairbanks landfills were approved September 21, 1988, by Ordinance No. 88-1547. Amendment C31474, approved May 29, 1991 by Ordinance 1991-770 combined these contracts and allowed for disposal at any Waste Management, Inc. landfill. Ordinance 1999-645 passed June 23, 1991, approving a second contract amendment to C31474 which adjusted the contract term, disposal rates and contractor's responsibilities. In FY2001, Waste Management, Inc., sold several of their Type IV landfills (Ralston, Hardy, SLOTI and Greenbelt) to Waste Corporation of Texas, as Contract number C31474B which became effective October 3, 2001.

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION

Finance Department:

Other Authorization:

Other Authorization:

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HIRE HOUSTON FIRST: The proposed contract is exempt from the City's Hire Houston First Ordinance. Proposals were not solicited because the procurement is necessary to preserve the public health or safety of City residents.

PAY OR PLAY PROGRAM: The proposed contract requires compliance with the City's 'Pay or Play' ordinance regarding health benefits for employees of City contractors. In this case, the Contractor provides health benefits to eligible employees in compliance with City policy.

M/WDBE PARTICIPATION: -The prime has agreed to make efforts to meet the 11% MWBE goal for this contract and will provide opportunities for the firms listed below to help meet the 11% goal.

**Ricky Jones, Jr. Construction
AAA Asphalt Paving**

ESTIMATED FISCAL OPERATING IMPACT:
No significant Fiscal Operating impact is anticipated as a result of this Agreement.