

Trash Carts

August 14, 2012



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Solid Waste Task Force

- Created February 2011
- Recommendations to the City Commission
January 19, 2012



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One of the key recommendations

- Increase automation for residential trash collection by:
 - Providing roll-out trash carts for residential services
 - Increasing automation of trucks for residential services as current fleet units are replaced



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Further consideration of carts

- Spring / early summer 2012
 - Staff developed implementation recommendation for residential roll-out carts
 - June 12, 2012, City Commission approved sending out bids
- July 10, 2012
 - Follow-up information to City Commission regarding
 - Employee feedback on cart systems
 - Rate recommendations for implementation



Worker Safety

- Primary driver for carts / automation
- Work comp injuries
 - Costly to employees personally
 - Costly to City

Year	Year of injury method (risk management method)	Year of expense method (city auditor method)
2010	\$ 356,736	\$ 384,440
201	\$ 262,634	\$ 401,501



Roll-out cart bids received

- Opened bids July 24, 2012
- Recommend approving low bid:
Rehrig Pacific
\$ 885,490
- 65 and 95 gallon carts, manufactured in DeSoto, Kansas



Rate recommendations

Solid Waste Services – Single family with ...	Rate Recommendation	Change from current service
65 gallon roll-out cart	\$ 14.94 / month	Customers who use cart now: Save \$1.50 monthly. Customers who do not use cart now: No change in monthly rate; add the roll-out cart.
90 gallon roll-out cart	\$ 15.94 / month	Customers who use cart now: Save \$1.00 monthly. Customers who do not use cart now: Add larger roll-out cart and \$1.00 monthly to base rate.
35 gallon roll-out cart	\$ 14.44 / month	Reduce rate by \$0.50 monthly, and add cart.
Additional trash carts:		
65 gallon cart	\$ 3.00 / month	\$ 1.50 / month
90 gallon cart	\$ 4.00 / month	\$ 2.00 / month
Cart replacement fee (lost, destroyed, moved & took with)	\$ 50.00	



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Next steps, once approved

- FLAME newsletter (September)
- Kick-off meeting with contractor
- Comprehensive outreach campaign
 - Utility bill insert
 - Utility bill message area
 - Web page information with FAQ's
 - Wufoo form for web page



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Next steps, continued

- Channel 25
- Paid advertising
- Direct mail to neighborhood associations
- [VIDEO](#) (show video 1:39 minutes)



Action requested

- Award bid B1243 for roll-out residential cart implementation program to Rehrig Pacific Company, up to \$885,490 in 2012
- Approve general 3-tier rate structure and direct staff to prepare the 2013 solid waste rate ordinance accordingly

