

CITY OF SHORELINE
SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL
SUMMARY MINUTES OF WORKSHOP DINNER MEETING

Monday, June 23, 2014

Conference Room 104 - Shoreline City Hall
17500 Midvale Avenue North

5:45 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Winstead, Deputy Mayor Eggen, Councilmembers McGlashan, Hall, McConnell, Salomon, and Roberts

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Debbie Tarry, City Manager; John Norris, Assistant City Manager; Mark Relph, Public Works Director; Dan Repp, Public Works Utilities and Operations Manager; Rika Cecil, Environmental Programs Coordinator; and Bonita Roznos, Deputy City Clerk

GUESTS: Jeff Brown, Solid Waste Consultant

At 5:48 p.m., the meeting was called to order by Mayor Winstead.

Ms. Tarry explained that the current Solid Waste Contract expires with Recology/CleanScapes on February 28, 2015 and that staff is seeking direction from Council regarding the City's solid waste services. Mark Relph, Public Works Director, presented the following four Solid Waste Contracting Alternatives:

1. Extension of the existing Recology/CleanScapes (RCS) contract.
2. Extension of the current RCS contract with some expanded terms for another two years.
3. Negotiation of a new seven or 10 year contract with RCS with expanded service options.
4. Pursuit of a competitive Request for Proposal process.

Mr. Relph talked about the rate structure and benefits of mandatory garbage collection. He shared a list of King County Cities with mandatory collection including cities with embedded yard debris/food scraps collection service. Ms. Cecil shared the City of Kirkland's transition to mandatory garbage collection service.

Councilmembers asked about price escalation, and expressed concern about introducing mandatory rates that could result in an unfavorable reaction from residents not currently paying for garbage service. Jeff Brown, Solid Waste Consultant, explained the impact of consumer

price index escalation and the King County Disposal fee. He stated that specific costs are negotiated in the initial contract and that regulatory changes would have to be evaluated and honored, and could result in increased cost. Ms. Cecil commented on rates for low income residents and stated they would be charged under the mandatory garbage collection option but would be exempt from paying the utility tax.

Councilmembers supported pursuing a competitive bid process. They recommended finding alternatives to placing garbage in landfills, and exploring waste to energy options that support the City's sustainability goals. Councilmembers were also supportive of moving to mandatory collection service and have yard waste service embedded in the collection rate.

Ms. Tarry clarified that staff would work on pursuing a competitive bid process that included mandatory collection and embedded yard waste components, trying to negotiate a one year extension on the current RCS contract, and researching acquiring assistance with the development of a Request for Proposal, with the expectation of a new contract being in place by September 2015.

At 6:55 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Bonita Roznos, Deputy City Clerk