

Memorandum



DATE December 7, 2012

TO Honorable Members of the Transportation & Environment Committee: Linda Koop (Chair), Sheffie Kadane (Vice Chair), Delia Jasso, Pauline Medrano, Vonciel Jones Hill, Sandy Greyson

SUBJECT Local Solid Waste Management Plan Update Briefing

On Monday, December 10, 2012, you will be briefed on the Local Solid Waste Management Plan Update. The briefing material is attached for your review.

Please contact me if you need additional information.



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Attachment

cc: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
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Local Solid Waste Management Plan Update

Transportation and Environment Committee
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Purpose

- Provide background on Dallas' solid waste planning
- Provide an overview of the Local Solid Waste Management Plan (LSWMP)
- Update the TEC on additional Community Outreach plans related to the LSWMP
- Summary



Background

- The City of Dallas manages disposal, recycling, diversion and reuse for 1.2 million people who generate 2.2 million tons of waste annually
- Dallas has been proactively managing solid waste in Dallas for years through:
 - Disposal, recycling, diversion and re-use efforts
 - McCommas Bluff Landfill (50 year remaining capacity)
 - Recycling collection (household & drop-off sites)
 - Re-use/Diversion of brush, concrete, asphalt and soil
 - Household hazardous waste and electronics collections



Background

- In order to meet the future solid waste needs of Dallas' growing population, the City is planning now
 - BENEFITS: avoid running out of valuable landfill space and realize benefits from a reusable solid waste stream
- In August 2012, the TEC was briefed on the City's Local Solid Waste Management Plan



LSWMP Overview

- The LSWMP is a strategic 50-year blueprint that:
 - Establishes baseline conditions
 - Discusses current and emerging solid waste management practices
 - Identifies policies, programs and infrastructure needed to manage municipal solid waste and recyclables
 - Sets achievable, targeted goals and timelines consistent with Dallas' priority for "Zero waste" by 2040 through voluntary and mandatory elements including
 - Expanded recycling/re-use efforts with extensive public education, outreach and training for customers; and
 - Maximizing resource recovery to decrease land filling of waste



LSWMP Overview

- In August of 2012 Dallas City Council adopted the LSWMP, and instructed staff to refine the timelines in the plan by:
 - Developing a communication plan that included significant stakeholder input and
 - Developing a two-year timeline for specific initiatives
- Staff is on schedule to receive community input by meeting with key stakeholders to discuss the plan's timelines and to solicit their recommendations
 - Meet with key stakeholders, businesses, and representative groups
 - Hold a one day LSWMP Charrette organized by HDR



Community Outreach

- Meetings will be scheduled with stakeholders:
 - Business Groups, such as:
 - Apartment Association of Greater Dallas
 - Building Owners and Managers Association (Dallas)
 - Greater Dallas Restaurant Association
 - Citizens Groups
 - Environmental Groups, such as:
 - Texas Campaign for the Environment
 - Dallas Sierra Club
 - Solid Waste Industry Representatives
 - Local solid waste haulers
 - Local recyclers, composters and mulch providers




One-Day Charrette

- A one-day Charrette will be held to review and update the LSWMP implementation schedule
 - Provide presentations to reflect feedback received from key stakeholder meetings
 - Produce a revised implementation schedule based on community input and City staff direction



Revise Solid Waste Management Plan

- After the community outreach is complete staff/HDR will revise the LSWMP to reflect changes made to the implementation schedule

 *City of Dallas*




Local Solid Waste Management Plan
2011 - 2060

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Draft Schedule

Task	Target Dates
Key stakeholder meetings	January 9-25
One-Day Charrette	Saturday, January 26
Provide revised LSWMP to TEC	February 25



In Summary

- The City is committed to proactive, sustainable waste management practices
- In August 2012 Council asked staff to develop a communication plan that included significant stakeholder input and refine the timelines in the LSWMP
- Staff will meet with key stakeholders and host a one-day LSWMP charrette in January 2013 to receive additional community input
- Staff will update the TEC in February 2013 on the revised LSWMP



Questions?