



City Council Report

Date: November 3, 2014
To: City Council
Through: John Pombier, Deputy City Manager
From: Michael Comstock, Solid Waste Department Director
Patrick Murphy, Solid Waste Department Administrator
Subject: Resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, and its division, the Salt River Commercial Landfill Company
(City wide)

Strategic Initiatives



Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to present the Council with a Resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, and its division, the Salt River Commercial Landfill Company (Salt River). Staff recommends approval of the attached Resolution, labeled Exhibit “A”, authorizing the City Manager or designee to enter into the attached IGA, labeled Exhibit “B”, with Salt River.

Background

In June 2013, the City of Mesa, City of Tempe, and the Town of Gilbert issued a request for proposals for Solid Waste Disposal, Recyclable Material Processing, and Vegetative Waste Processing. This RFP was an attempt to implement the Regional Leadership and Financial Stability Council Strategic Initiatives. These Municipal Parties sought proposals for services upon expiration of their respective contracts. This multi-agency effort provided favorable results for the participants, which subsequently contracted individually for services, and, and helped meet the goal for finding sustainable solutions to regional challenges.

On November 18, 2013, the City Council directed staff to pursue agreements for solid and vegetative waste, and recyclable material processing services. Since then we have implemented agreements with ReCommunity, Republic Services, Right Away Disposal, United Fibers, and Waste Management. Due to the

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intergovernmental nature of the City's relationship with Salt River, we are seeking this additional approval of the IGA.

Discussion

The City of Mesa has an existing contract with Salt River that is effective to December 31, 2015. We have a long history of a mutually beneficial relationship with Salt River. The new IGA outlines the commitments for delivery and processing of solid waste and vegetative waste collected by Mesa for the term of the proposed contract, through September 30, 2024.

Alternatives

Council may choose not to authorize the execution of this IGA. If the Council chooses this option, staff will allocate the solid waste and vegetative waste to the other disposal sites noted in this staff report. The fiscal impact for this option would be additional operational costs to the Solid Waste Department.

Fiscal Impact

The total amount of \$6,025,000 is available in the Enterprise Fund, Solid Waste Sub Fund for the estimated requirements for the services outlined in this report.

Coordinated With

The Mesa Solid Waste Department coordinated the process of the various agreements with the City Attorney's Office and Purchasing.