



Legislation Text

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Resolution to Provide Direction to the City Administrator on the Provision of Solid Waste Services

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Whereas, The guiding principles for Ann Arbor's solid waste program focus on providing services that are cost-efficient and customer-friendly;

Whereas, The planning horizon for the City's last Solid Waste Resource Plan Update ended in 2017;

Whereas, City staff issued RFP (Request for Proposal) No. 18-04 to procure outside resources needed to develop the Solid Waste Resource Management Plan (2019-2023), including funding and program recommendations, coordinated through the Environmental Commission and engaging the wider community;

Whereas, The Council's resolution 18-0457 to fund a Solid Waste Resource Management Plan for the period from 2019 to 2023 will take 12 to 15 months to complete;

Whereas, City staff represented by AFSCME Local 369 currently perform trash collection; and

Whereas, The City Council has not considered, deliberated or approved any plan to contract for solid waste services;

RESOLVED, That City Council directs the City Administrator to cease all actions that further any plan to privatize for solid waste services currently performed by city staff. This restriction does not include professional services such as planning, nor short-term services such as special event waste hauling;

RESOLVED, That City Council proclaims its opposition to privatization for solid waste services not currently performed by an outside contractor, which proclamation should be communicated to the consultant performing the Solid Waste Resource Management Plan pursuant to RFP 2019-2023. This opposition does not preclude the creation of partnerships with other public bodies or a regional authority to provide consolidated solid waste services; and

RESOLVED, That City Council directs the City Administrator to end the practice of using temporary employees on a long-term basis to forestall the hiring of permanent employees unless and until the City Council expressly approves such action.

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Eaton, Kailasapathy and Bannister

As Amended by Ann Arbor City Council on May 21, 2018