



December 11, 2023
Board of Works

Present:

Mike Hartman, Mayor
Eric Johnson, Board of Works
Bob Haywood, Board of Works
Angela Eck, Clerk-Treasurer
Donald Stuckey, City Attorney

Absent:

Jimmie Eck, Fire Chief
Mark Heffelfinger, Police Chief
Scott Lanning, Wastewater Superintendent
Vivian Likes, City Planner

Mayor Hartman opened the special session of the Board of Works at 5 pm at 215 South Broadway. The purpose of the special session is to award garbage and recycling contracts for 2024 thru 2026.

Mr. Stuckey stated that he has clarified that a hopper is about three yards with GFL. Washler's definition of semi-monthly is 6 times per year for large item and Waste Management large item bid is for strictly for 2 items.

Mr. Haywood stated that he has spoken with several people concerning the monthly large item collection. He estimated that 50 percent want it to remain the same and 50 percent don't want it.

Mr. Johnson stated that is what he is hearing also.

There was discussion on switching to just quarterly large item collection or keeping it the same and awarding the garbage contract to Washler.

There was more discussion about the frequency of large item collection.

Mayor Hartman opened the floor to the bidders in order for them to provide any additional information.

Sam Langer from GFL, Director of Business Development, showed a picture of the trash hopper that is on the front of their trucks. They would be able to fill that hopper at each home.



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Jeff Washler stated that his is the only bid that leaves the large item collection exactly the way it is now.

Kirby Dunagan from Waste Management stated that they limited their large item collection to only two items per household because that is what most residents put out. If a resident has more than that, they can call Waste Management and arrange for them to pick it up at an additional cost.

Teri Fritch from 324 Meadowmere stated that she never uses the large item collection. A lot of stuff can fit in the garbage totes. If someone is cleaning out a house and has excessive trash, that person should have to pay more, not all of the customers in the City.

Ford Hudson from 312 James stated that he likes the way large item collection works now. It has really worked well to help clean up the City.

Mr. Johnson asked Mr. Stuckey if the garbage and recycling contracts could be awarded separately. Mr. Stuckey stated that they could.

There was discussion of awarding the recycling to GFL and the garbage to Washler with quarterly large item.

GFL stood up and stated that their bid states that they will only accept garbage and recycling. They will not accept recycling only.

Waste Management stated that the renewal of the current contract with them for garbage is still on the table. All of the proposed restrictions would go away if the Board rejected all of the garbage bids.

Mr. Stuckey stated that the Board cannot reject just garbage bids. They would need to reject ALL bids, which would be garbage and recycling.

Mr. Haywood stated that makes his decision a lot easier. GFL is the best way to go then. They will be the cheapest for keeping large item collection almost the same.

Mr. Haywood made a motion to award garbage and recycling for 2024 thru 2026 to GFL and Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Mr. Haywood voted in favor of the motion and Mr. Johnson voted against the motion. Mayor Hartman made the tie breaking vote of "in favor". Motion passed with 2 in favor and 1 against.



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Mr. Johnson made a motion to adjourn at 6:11 pm and Mr. Haywood seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.



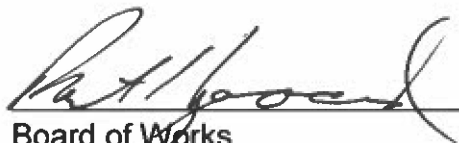
Mayor



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Clerk-Treasurer



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