

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE
OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

September 6, 1988

Council Chamber

Committee Members Present: Gary Hansen (Chair), Jim Gardner (V. Chair), Corky Kirkpatrick and Mike Ragsdale

Committee Members Absent: Sharron Kelley

Chair Hansen called the meeting to order at 6:54 p.m.

1. Consideration of Minutes of August 16, 1988

Motion: Councilor Ragsdale moved for approval of the minutes.

Vote: Councilors Gardner, Kirkpatrick, Ragsdale and Hansen voted aye. Councilor Kelley was absent. The vote was unanimous and the minutes were approved.

2. Committee Chair Communications

None.

3. Consideration of Resolution No. 88-974, for the Purpose of Authorizing a Public Contract to Collect, Transport, Store, Recycle, Treat and Dispose of Household Hazardous Waste from Two Collection Day Events to be Held by Metro on October 1, 1988, and April 22, 1989

Bob Martin, Engineering Manager, said Rob Smoot, Engineer, had done the majority of the work on the hazardous waste day collection document. Mr. Martin submitted the staff report and the final contract with the winning bid. The vendor selected was Safety Specialists, Inc.

Mr. Martin discussed the amount budgeted for the project and changes from previous hazardous waste collection projects. He said volunteers would not be used this year because they lacked technical knowledge. He said Safety Specialists, Inc., would not accept radioactive materials, explosives or asbestos.

Councilor Ragsdale noted neither the contract or resolution contained the contract amount of \$2,77,283. He asked if the labor item was a fixed cost. Mr. Smoot said labor was a unit cost and would not change. Mr. Martin said staff intended the \$2,77,283 amount to be the maximum, but noted that Attachment B displayed possible variables.

First Motion to Amend: Councilor Ragsdale moved to amend Resolution No. 88-974 after the first "BE IT RESOLVED," to add a paragraph to indicate Council intent that \$277,283 be the cap amount for the contract and also that the exhibit to the contract clearly delineate that labor bids and additional insurance were fixed costs and not to fluctuate depending on volume or balance.

Second Motion to Amend: Councilor Ragsdale moved to amend Resolution No. 88-974 by adding a second paragraph after the first "BE IT RESOLVED" which contained appropriate language that capped the amount of \$277,283, and to fill in the blanks on pages 1 and 5 and to change the last page of Attachment B to indicate the last three items; Labor, Bins and Additional Insured, were fixed costs.

Vote on First and Second Motions to Amend: Councilors Gardner, Kirkpatrick, Ragsdale and Hansen voted aye. Councilor Kelley was absent. The vote was unanimous and the motions to amend carried.

Main Motion: Councilor Ragsdale moved to recommend the full Council adopt Resolution No. 88-974 as amended.

Vote on Main Motion: Councilors Gardner, Kirkpatrick, Ragsdale and Hansen voted aye. Councilor Kelley was absent. The vote was unanimous and Resolution No. 88-974 was forwarded to the full Council as amended.

4. Briefing on Waste Transport Issues

Mr. Martin said the transportation bid document was nearly in final form. He said it would be mailed Friday to the Committee and potential vendors. He discussed changes made in bonding policy since the August 30 meeting. He said the bond would now be of a two-year duration instead of one. He said the vendor could renew the bond at the end of the two-year period, but if the vendor did not renew the bond, it would not cause to default. Mr. Martin discussed retainage interest and displayed a chart titled, "Summation of Retainage and Bond." Mr. Martin distributed "Article 17 (Formerly No. 13) Performance and Labor and Materials Bonds."

Chair Hansen said it would be helpful if commentary received by vendors and individuals were numbered and tied into contract language. He said a public hearing could be held on the issue September 20. Mr. Martin said there were some fundamental differences between vendors, but that most seem satisfied. He said for truckers to have a contract longer than one year in length was unusual, but did not think the five-year contract was unfavorable for any party.

Councilor Ragsdale noted there was a difference in staff's attitude towards the contract length for transportation as opposed to the staff recommendation for the landfill operation contract. He asked Ray Barker, Council Analyst, to write a report analyzing differences between a five-year contract and a ten-year contract.

Mr. Owings said there could be a variety of vendors among the winning bids. He said the shorter contract length provided greater flexibility, but that a 20-year contract would save money. He said it was a policy decision to choose either money or flexibility. He said Gilliam County had reservations about trucking, but understood the low bid would win.

Chair Hansen asked if staff could ascertain the difference in cost between a 10-year and 20-year bid. Mr. Martin said that could be done, but that future variables would have to be compared to present net worth. He said such a comparison would result in an analysis with many assumptions. The Committee and staff discussed alternatives in the bid packages. Mr. Owings suggested scheduling a work session and then a separate meeting to forward the resolution to the Council. Chair Hansen and the Committee agreed with Mr. Owings on his suggestion.

5. Briefing on Solid Waste Management Plan Policies

Rich Carson, Director of Planning and Development, and Becky Crockett, Senior Analyst, presented the "Goal and Objectives" paper of the Solid Waste Management Plan. They said there would be a Policy Committee meeting next Friday and wished to get input from the Committee to take to the Policy Committee.

The Committee said in reference to Waste Reduction Policy 1.3, the need for other forms of recovery beyond source separation should be emphasized. They said the waste reduction program provided for a yearly evaluation of waste reduction goals and programs and that the task might be important enough to make it policy.

On Rates Policy 11.1, the Committee requested staff analyze the implications of this policy in more detail. Specifically, they requested staff prepare a breakdown of the rate into its various components which would make it easier to determine who contributed to costs. On Rates Policy 11.2, the Committee suggested elimination of this policy. They said there was not always a clear-cut distinction between private and commercial haulers. Councilors did not think they wanted a cost of service approach for each customer.

The Committee agreed on Community Enhancement Policy 12.0 that at the retreat the consensus was to provide host fees up to \$.50 per ton, and

not a flat fee for all facilities. Councilor Kirkpatrick stated she would never support a host fee of any sort. Other Councilors felt fees should be decided on a case by case basis, since impacts could vary dependent on various factors besides tonnage alone.

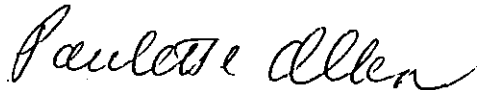
The Committee agreed Unified Work Programs Policy 14.0 should be reviewed and updated annually.

With regard to Local Solutions, Policies 16.0, 16.1 and 16.2, the Committee expressed concern that policies were not specific enough to carry out local responsibilities. Councilors wanted to ensure local zoning provisions were in place which could accommodate solid waste facilities. They said local governments should accept responsibility as part of the new emphasis on local solutions.

The Committee and staff discussed the Solid Waste Management Plan further. Chair Hansen asked Mr. Carson and Ms. Crockett to ask the Policy Committee how that committee perceived its role in the future and if they thought they were an appropriate body to go to the next level of detail.

Chair Hansen adjourned the meeting at 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paulette Allen".

Paulette Allen, Clerk
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