

A G E N D A

WORK SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD, ARIZONA, TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 8, 2011, AT 6 P.M., AT THE COTTONWOOD COUNCIL CHAMBERS BUILDING LOCATED AT 826 NORTH MAIN STREET, COTTONWOOD, ARIZONA.

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION TO STAFF:

Comments regarding items listed on the agenda are limited to a 5 minute time period per speaker.
 1. OPTIONS FOR THE SOLID WASTE TRANSFER STATION LOCATED IN COTTONWOOD.
 2. EXECUTIVE SESSION - PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 38-431.03.A.7 THE COUNCIL MAY VOTE TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO CONSIDER ITS POSITION AND INSTRUCT ITS REPRESENTATIVES REGARDING NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE POSSIBLE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY.
- IV. ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03.(A) the Council may vote to go into executive session on any agenda item pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03.(A)(3) Discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney or attorneys of the public body.

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Members of the City Council will attend either in person or by telephone conference call.



Meeting Date: November 8, 2011

Subject: Solid Waste

Department: Development Services

From: Dan Lueder

REQUESTED ACTION

Conduct a work session to discuss the solid waste transfer station and potential for a solid waste transfer station.

BACKGROUND

The City has partnered with solid waste haulers to provide operation of the solid waste compactor site adjacent to the Mingus Avenue wastewater plant. Solid waste disposal is becoming increasingly more costly and the area residents have indicated a desire for a facility which is more easily accessible and has more convenient hours of operation. Staff has been researching options for the existing solid waste compactor operation and has identified three options for Council consideration:

1. Re-advertise the operation and hauling of solid waste from the compactor site similar to how it was structured in past years.
2. Utilize City staff to man and operate the compactor site and solicit bids for the hauling and disposal of the compacted solid waste.
3. Have city staff take over full operation of the compactor site operation including manning and operation of the compactor site along with hauling and disposal of the compacted solid waste.

Staff will discuss the pros and cons of each of these options and solicit direction from the council on which option they would prefer.

An additional option for Council to consider would be the construction of a solid waste and recycling transfer station to be operated by a solid waste hauler. The City has been approached by two of the firms who currently collect and haul solid waste and recyclables in the City and those firms have been invited to attend the work session and present their ideas regarding the transfer station to Council. The remaining solid waste haulers operating in the City have also been invited to attend this work session so their ideas/concerns may also be heard.

JUSTIFICATION/BENEFITS/ISSUES

The city has been involved in both solid waste and recycling efforts in the Verde Valley for quite some time and has an active interest in providing these services in the most economical and efficient manner possible. The absence of a dedicated solid waste and recyclable disposal facility would most certainly lead to an increase in illegal dumping and its associated problems and cost.

COST/FUNDING SOURCE

N/A

REVIEWED BY:

City Manager: _____

City Attorney: _____