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Report: Update on Solid Waste Processing Facility

Issue/Request:

Update to the City Council on the Solid Waste Processing Facility.

Key Issues:

Update on status of the project and upcoming City Council agenda items and public hearings.

Background:

The City operates the Public Disposal Area that is located at the City's Resource Recovery Park. The City operates the Public Disposal Area for the purpose of receiving specifically enumerated household solid waste products for the benefit of the residents of Lee's Summit

As part of the Public Disposal Area, the City is authorized to operate a solid waste processing facility. The City issued Request for Proposals No. 2021-016 (the "RFP") which sought statements of qualifications from qualified companies to design, construct, permit and operate a solid waste processing facility and associated programs. A stated goal of this RFP was to identify and select a partner to provide solid waste disposal services through a processing facility and continue associated environmental programs to serve residents and businesses by providing a convenient drop off location for municipal solid waste.

In response to the RFP, a company (the "Company") submitted a statement of qualifications that was selected by the City as the best and most responsive applicant. City staff has been working with the Company on the arrangements to negotiate a lease agreement and an operations agreement.

Status Update:

Lease Agreement and Operations Agreement -

A draft of the Lease Agreement for the facility was delivered to the Company on November 23, 2021. As of December 15, 2021, City staff is still waiting to receive a response from the Company on the Lease Agreement. A draft of the Operations Agreement is expected to be delivered to the Company by the end of the year. City staff will continue to negotiate the Lease Agreement and the Operations Agreement with the Company. These documents are projected to go to the City Council for consideration in February 2022.

Zoning Applications and Public Hearings -

The Company submitted Application PL2021429 for a Special Use Permit and Application PL2021428 for the Preliminary Development Plan for the Lee's Summit Processing Facility. The applications were received on November 4, 2021 and are scheduled for a Public Hearing in front of the Planning Commission on January 13, 2022. The applications are currently on schedule to be heard during a Public Hearing in front of the City Council on February 1, 2022. Additionally, a neighborhood meeting was held on November 16, 2021. A dual-

notice advertisement regarding the upcoming Public Hearings is being sent to the Lee's Summit Tribune and will be published on Saturday December 18, 2021.

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