



MAYOR & COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

DATE: 3/08/2011

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ITEM #: 1

DISCUSSION

AGENDA ITEM: Presentation by Dan Krivit of Foth Companies and Discussion of Organized Trash Collection Options

SUBMITTED BY: Bruce A. Messelt, City Administrator

THROUGH: Mayor and City Council Direction

REVIEWED BY: City Staff and Accounting Services Contractors

SUMMARY AND ACTION REQUESTED: This item has been scheduled at the direction of the Mayor and City Council and as a follow-up to its January 11th, 2011 discussion. It is respectfully requested that the City Council receive a presentation by Dan Krivit of Foth Companies and then discuss possible future efforts to evaluate and address options for organized trash collection within the City of Lake Elmo.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: This item has been scheduled at the request of the Mayor and City Council as a follow up to its January 11th, 2011 Workshop discussion. This item was previously discussed at the November 3rd and 10th, 2010 meetings, subsequent a 2009 Waste Hauling Survey.

At the January 11th, 2011 Workshop, the following Citywide objectives relating to solid waste collection and recycling were identified by the City Council:

Preserve Customer Choice
(not necessarily individual, but perhaps neighborhood, area or Citywide selection)

Preserve or Enhance Customer Service
(i.e. specialized services, perhaps through tiered plans or options)

Maintain or Lower Customer Costs

Improve Recycling Services

Reduce Wear & Tear on Streets
(multiple providers on multiple days)

Reduce Noise, Air & Sight Pollution
(environmental considerations)

Reward Community Involvement/Legacy

Consider Other Community Partnerships

STAFF REPORT: Mr. Dan Krivit of Foth Companies - Infrastructure and Environment has agreed to provide the Mayor and City Council with summary information on organized trash collection options available to the City. Foth is currently working with Maplewood on its assessment of organized trash collection and has served as a consultant for many communities in undertaking similar evaluations.

It should also be noted that the City of Oak Park Heights is in the process of re-bidding for its organized trash collection services.

RECOMMENDATION: It is respectfully recommended that the City Council receive the presentation from Mr. Dan Krivit, then discuss the topic of Council and community objectives relating to solid waste collection and recycling, and provide any subsequent direction to its Staff, as appropriate.

ATTACHMENTS: None (additional materials may be provided at the meeting).

SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- Introduction..... City Administrator
- Presentation of ItemDr. Dan Krivit, Foth Companies
- Discussion Mayor & City Council
- Public Input, if Appropriate Mayor Facilitates
- Discussion Mayor Facilitates
- Direction/Action Mayor & City Council