



Department Source: City Utilities - Solid Waste

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: June 7, 2021

Re: Public Hearing: proposed removal of a refuse container and relocation of the refuse compactor at the Wabash Bus Station Property located on Orr Street.

Executive Summary

This is the Public Hearing for the proposed removal of a refuse container and relocation of the refuse compactor at the Wabash Bus Station Property located on Orr Street. This project includes eliminating an eight (8) yard refuse container, relocating a refuse compactor, providing new electric service, constructing a new compactor enclosure, installing new signage and landscaping. An online Interested Parties (IP) meeting was held from March 29, 2021 through April 11, 2021.

Discussion

The Solid Waste Utility (SWU) provides trash and recycling collection services within the Downtown Community Improvement District (CID) based upon the common use of trash containers, trash compactors and recycling containers, rather than individual account service. On April 16, 2018 City Council approved the Downtown CID Compactor Plan. The intent of the plan is to enhance solid waste services in the CID by identifying the optimum location for trash compactors throughout the CID and locating them in places convenient to the greatest number of customers, while minimizing cost to the City and CID customers.

SWU wishes to move forward with implementation of the 2018 Downtown CID Compactor Plan for the North Village Arts District area by consolidating and relocating refuse collection facilities.

This project includes eliminating the eight (8) yard refuse container adjacent to the Orr Street Studios, relocating a refuse compactor, providing new electric service, constructing a new compactor enclosure, installing new signage and landscaping as shown on the attached diagram. The refuse compactor is currently located in the southwest corner of the Wabash Bus Station property and is proposed to be relocated to the northwest corner. SWU has coordinated this project with Public Works staff and both locations are suitable and have minimal impact to Transit operations.

An IP meeting was held online from March 29, 2021 through April 11, 2021 and 30 comments were received. There was no opposition to the removal of the eight (8) yard refuse container adjacent to the Orr Street Studios. Of the 30 comments received, 17 are in favor and 13 are not in favor of relocating the refuse compactor. Those that are not in favor voiced concerns with the potential for lost parking spaces, impact to the existing Adopt-A-Spot and the proximity of the proposed compactor site to businesses along Orr Street.



The proposed project is located on City owned property and easements will not need to be acquired. The estimated total project cost is \$75,000 and will be funded with Solid Waste Utility enterprise revenue funds.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The estimated total project cost is \$75,000 and will be funded with Solid Waste Utility enterprise revenue funds.

Long-Term Impact: Routine operation and maintenance.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

| Date | Action |
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| 05/17/2021 | R71-21 Setting a public hearing: proposed removal of a refuse container and relocation of the refuse compactor at the Wabash Bus Station property located on Orr Street. |
| 03/29/2021 through 04/11/2021 | IP Meeting held |
| 04/16/2018 | R60-18 Resolution Adopting the Downtown CID Compactor Location Plan |

Suggested Council Action

Direct staff to proceed with the removal of the refuse container and relocation of the refuse compactor located on the Wabash Bus Station property.