



Department Source: City Utilities - Solid Waste

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: April 19, 2021

Re: Proposed Recycling Drop Off Center on City-owned property on Oakland Gravel Road.

## Executive Summary

Staff has prepared for council consideration a resolution authorizing staff to proceed with preliminary design to determine the feasibility and costs associated with constructing a new recycling drop off center on City-owned property on Oakland Gravel Road as shown on the attached Diagram.

## Discussion

The Solid Waste Utility has twelve separate recycling drop off centers, but does not have any centers in the north central or south west portions of the City. The locations of the existing sites are shown on the attached Location Map. The proposed recycling drop off center will be located on City-owned property adjacent to a Water Utility pumping station and Columbia Fire Department Station No. 4 at the intersection of Vandiver Drive and Oakland Gravel Road. Staff has coordinated with the Water Utility and Fire Department and both are agreeable with the concept of constructing the recycling drop off center at this location. It is anticipated that the proposed recycling drop off center would help relieve the congestion of Drop Off Centers located at Home Depot and at the Moser's on Keene Street. The proposed facility will be similar to the drop off sites on State Farm Parkway and on South Providence outer road.

Staff is proposing to utilize the North Route B Recycling Drop Off project to fund the proposed recycling drop off center. The North Route B Recycling Drop Off project was created in 2018 and funded as part of the FY2020 budget with the intent of creating a new recycling drop off center along Route B in order to serve the north eastern portion of Columbia. No action has been taken on the North Route B Recycling Drop Off project because staff has not been able to secure a suitable site along Route B. It is anticipated that the proposed facility on Oakland Gravel Road will replace the need to construct a recycling drop off center along Route B.

If directed by Council, staff will proceed with preliminary design to determine the feasibility and costs associated with the project and move forward with the standard Public Improvement Process.

## Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: \$150,000 was appropriated for the North Route B. Recycling Drop-Off Site project as part of the FY2020 budget. The estimated cost to complete the preliminary design is \$15,000.

Long-Term Impact: The preliminary cost estimate for the project is \$150,000.



## 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
None	None

## Suggested Council Action

Approve the resolution authorizing staff to proceed with preliminary design to determine the feasibility and costs associated with constructing a recycling drop off center on City-owned property on Oakland Gravel Road and to move forward with the standard Public Improvement Process.