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## Organized Collections Options Committee (OCOC)

### Minutes of the First Meeting as held on February 10, 2015

The first meeting of the Organized Collections Option Committee (OCOC) was held on February 10, 2015 in the Haeg Conference Room at the Bloomington Civic Plaza, 1800 West Old Shakopee Road. Meeting was brought to order at 5:40 p.m.

#### **Introductions & Welcome:**

All members were in attendance: Mayor Gene Winstead, Councilmember Jack Baloga, Councilmember Dwayne Lowman, Karl Keel and Jim Gates from Bloomington staff. Also in attendance were Jamie Verbrugge, City Manager; and Jennefer Klennert and Dan Krivit from Foth.

#### **Organizational Business:**

##### *Chair*

Karl Keel was nominated as Chair of the OCOC. Consensus of the Members was received, and Karl accepted.

##### *Meeting Schedule and Logistics*

Consensus was that meetings of the OCOC will be the same night as City Council meetings. Meetings of the OCOC will be for approximately 1½ to 2 hours in duration. The standard meeting start time will be 5:30 p.m. with a stop time of 7 p.m.

The next meeting of the OCOC will be February 23, 2015, from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. due to a prior City Council commitment that evening. Consensus of the Members was received.

##### *Meeting Agendas*

Meeting agendas will be publicly posted on the City of Bloomington's Organized Collection webpage along with meeting notices and agenda materials. Agendas and notices will also be posted using other means including posting on the doors of Civic Plaza. Minutes and documents will be posted as soon as possible.

##### *Public Input*

Discussion was held on how to accept public comment and input for the OCOC meetings.

- ◆ Written comments via email or hard-copy U.S. mail will be taken throughout the OCOC process and will be recognized as part of the agenda packets for the meetings.
- ◆ Public comment and community input from all required stakeholders will be encouraged through a variety of other means to assist with developing options for organized collection. Those other means may include public testimony, an open house, the organized collection webpage, e-subscribe notices, direct contact, and other options yet to be determined.

- ◆ A public hearing is required by the Organized Collection Statute (M.S. 115A.94, “the Statute”) before City Council can make a final decision on any organized collection program implementation.
- ◆ Public comment at the OCOC meetings may be accepted as needed.

## **Review of the OCOC requirements**

### ***Organized Collection Statute Review***

Dan Krivit summarized highlights of the Bloomington OCOC process and current status within the context of requirements of the Statute.

### **Review the 2-5-15 Proposal package from the Haulers**

Karl Keel discussed the latest Haulers’ proposal of the specific items included in the draft *City Parameters*. Table 1 from the February 9, 2015 Foth memo was discussed. Karl suggested one key to focus on in the Haulers’ *2-5-15 Proposed Price* for 7-year contract, weighted average (“all-in” meaning inclusive of trash + recycling after taxes, but without organics) of \$19.20 cost per household per month was reviewed. Karl indicated City staff supported this latest proposal as it was below the comparable benchmark price of other cities with negotiated contracts. The OCOC had further discussion with the eventual consensus that they would not support the Haulers’ *2-5-15 Proposal*. Additional discussion included framing some of the other options to get to an organized collection system including districts, zones, etc., with further detail to follow at future OCOC meetings. Jim mentioned that the Hauler negotiation period would remain open for now to allow for any further Hauler proposals.

## **Review and Discuss Past City Documents**

### ***Review City Priorities***

Dan Krivit summarized the *City Priorities* as adopted by the City Council on October 13, 2014. One change recommended by the OCOC was to change the priority of “Enhance Public Education and Awareness” to a [1], the highest level. More changes may follow as the OCOC continues to meet.

### ***Review Draft Parameters***

Dan Krivit summarized the *City Parameters Framework* (as of 12-3-15). Committee members requested several items be addressed with future agendas of the OCOC, including:

- ◆ Various options for districts and zones that may occur with a request for proposal (RFP) package
- ◆ Billing methods (e.g., City billing, contractor billing)
- ◆ Handling of service complaints
- ◆ Performance guarantees such as liquidated damages and performance/payment bonds.
- ◆ The possibility of an organics collection program
- ◆ Public education regarding solid waste by the City, Hennepin County, and Contractor
- ◆ The possibility of eventually combining the City-Wide Clean Up and alternative means of collecting bulky waste and electronic items with an organized collection contract
- ◆ Variable rate pricing for trash and other financial incentives to encourage more recycling
- ◆ Recyclables revenue sharing

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 by consensus of the OCOC.